

**CORNWALL INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES AGENCY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING APRIL 6, 2021 – CORNWALL TOWN OFFICES
HELD BY ZOOM MEETING/RECORDING ON FILE**

Present: Regular members Debby Bennett, Peter Demy, Roger Kane and IWWO Karen Griswold Nelson.

Absent: D. Stevenson Hedden and William Hurlburt.

Vice chairman Roger Kane called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM with a quorum established.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: February zoom meeting minutes

Motion made by Mrs. Bennet, seconded by Mr. Demy, to approve the February 2, 2021 meeting minutes: unanimously approved.

PENDING APPLICATION.

App#648 – Rudolph and Lisa Marie Melk owner/applicant – Activities within regulated areas for the construction of a driveway to a single family residence – Lot 18- Valley Road.

Relating to site walks, Mr. Kane indicated that he had visited the site. IWWO Griswold Nelson addressed individual site walk visits with Commission members (Demy and Bennett).

Griswold Nelson addressed conversations with the applicant’s engineer, Ken Hrica and her recommendations that additional conditions of approval be considered including a condition that the site design engineer be responsible for the overall supervision of the site during construction including the installation and maintenance of all erosion and sedimentation controls, and a condition that the site design engineer be responsible for certifying that the site had been constructed according to the plans made part of the record. It was stated that Mr. Hrica was in agreement that the proposed conditions were appropriate. Accordingly:

Motion made by Mrs. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Demy, to approve **App#648 – Rudolph and Lisa Marie Melk owner/applicant for regulated non-significant activities** as per the oral and written testimony of the applicant’s representative, PE Kenneth Hrica, and Mapping entitled “Site Plan prepared for Rudy Melk, Lot 18 Valley Road, Cornwall CT by Hrica Associates, sheets including Site Plan, Septic System Design, dated December 29, 2020 with the following conditions:

1. The name and telephone number of the persons or entity responsible for the erosion and sedimentation control measures is to be provided and made part of plans on file.
2. The Land Use office shall be notified prior to the start of construction.
3. All erosion and sedimentation controls are to be installed prior to the start of the construction and the E&S controls are to be inspected by the Inland Wetlands Enforcement officer/ZEO prior to the start of work.

4. The site design engineer shall be responsible for the supervision of the site during all phases of construction for activities within regulated areas including maintenance of the erosion and sedimentation controls as shown.
5. The site design engineer shall be responsible for providing certification that the construction of the driveway and associated activities for the construction of the house are in compliance with the site plan approved.

Motion unanimously approved.

NEW APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS FOR DECLARATORY RULINGS

ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS: None

UPLAND REVIEWS AND APPROVAL BY AUTHORIZED AGENT.

Griswold Nelson addressed the receipt of several zoning applications (Algrant and McMahon that would require upland reviews) with agreement that they could be addressed administratively before the next meeting.

INLAND WETLANDS OFFICER REPORT

Griswold Nelson addressed the issue of “public comment” being made part of Town meeting agendas, and in particular Planning & Zoning, noting that the Inland Wetlands Agency, as provided for the enabling statutes, had specific criteria for any public comment and that it was her finding than an agenda item “public comment” should not and would not be made part of the any future Inland wetland agendas

CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED.

OTHER BUSINESS PROPER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION.

Roger Kane gave an update of proposed bridge infrastructure and road repair work being discussed by the Board of Selectmen for the upcoming summer season. It was noted that any necessary permitting would be addressed by staff working with Mr. Kane and the Board of Selectmen.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mr. Demy, seconded by Mrs. Bennett, to adjourn at 7:30PM; unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Griswold Nelson