Willington Inland Wetland and Watercourse Commission February 22, 2021 – 6:00PM Special Meeting Minutes Please Note: This meeting was held online.

Members Present:

Dave Schreiber Patrick Lord Mark Drobney

Also Present:

Michael D'Amato - Zoning Agent Ashley Stephens - Assistant Land Use Agent

D. Schreiber called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

A. <u>Public Hearing:</u> N/A

B. <u>New Business:</u>

 IW-21-2_Application for Permitted Uses as a Right Determination. 26 Moose Meadow Road Map 21 Lot 06-01 Owner/Applicant: Julia A Cartabiano

M. D'Amato stated there are certain things that don't require a wetlands permit, but still require you, as a commission, to determine they are as of right. Anything related to a farm pond 3 acres or less is an exempt activity, not subject to review, no permit is issued and the commission can not issue any conditions, only offer suggestions.

E. Cartabiano is J. Cartabiano's son who is representing the applicant. He stated it is a small farm pond and filled with organic debris and the storage capacity is very low and going back to swamp like consistency. It is necessary to restore it to have more storage like it used to have. It is around 3/10 of an acre or less. Maximum depth is 3 feet deep.

M. D'Amato asked if E. Cartabiano could outline how this is related to the farming operation.

E. Cartabiano stated the fields on the property are all irrigated from that pond. There is concern that the pond will not be sufficient in its current state to be used in the future if it is not restored now.

There was discussion from the Commission about how the pond will be improved, where the water flows to and from the pond, etc.

P. Lord made a motion to approve IW-21-2_Application for Permitted Uses as a Right Determination. 26 Moose Meadow Road Map 21 Lot 06-01 Owner/Applicant: Julia A Cartabiano

M. Drobney seconded the motion. All in favor.

Applications for Receipt:

- 1. TH-21-1 Application for Timber Harvest at 55 Blair Rd. Owner: Stephan G. Lackman Applicant: Thomas Walker
- 2. IW-21-3 Wetland Permit for Timber Harvest at 55 Blair Rd Owner: Stephan G. Lackman Applicant: Thomas Walker

Applications 1 and 2 have been received.

3. IW-21-4 Application to create a pond in wetlands at 11 Daleville School Rd Owner/Applicant: Jason Deskus

The commission does not feel comfortable on deciding if application IW-21-4 Application to create a pond in wetlands at 11 Daleville School Rd Owner/Applicant: Jason Deskus will require a public hearing or not. They would like to obtain more information by performing a site walk. Staff will try to coordinate a date for the site walk which will as be a special meeting to determine if a public hearing is required.

M. Old Business:

N. Correspondence

M. D'Amato stated we have final approval from DEEP for forestry regs.

O. Staff report and Discussion

P. Public Comment:

The Commission will hear brief comments at this time for anyone wishing to speak. No business can be conducted here nor can any comments be made about any items on the agenda

I. <u>Adjournment</u>

P. Lord made a motion to adjourn the meeting at. M. Drobney seconded the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ashley Stephens