

**MORRIS INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
COMMUNITY HALL
MORRIS, CT 06763**

January, 2023

The regular January 12, 2023 meeting was called to order by the chair at 4:10 pm downstairs in the Community Hall. Present were Connie Trolle, Robin Viola, Doreen Gagnon, Clif Wheeler, and Mike Doyle. Also present were James McEvoy, Steven Kalur, Ben Paletsky, and others. The minutes of the regular December 8, 2022 meeting and hearing were accepted as written.

Old Business

Permit 22-15 for James McEvoy to restore a site at 108 Bantam Lake Road was on the agenda by request of Mr. McEvoy. Mr. McEvoy stated that when his contractor told him the cost of the approved project he told him it was too expensive and not to do the work. Referring to a letter from Attorney Byrne to his attorney outlining the compliance requirements Mr. McEvoy stated that he could comply with the requirements as outlined (items 3,4, and 5), himself. He provided photos that he said showed the material he had added without a permit did not actually protrude into the lake any more than before his action. He did not agree with his contractor's approved plan that used rock to protect the bank, saying he felt that since there was not a rock-protected bank before his activity then he should not be required to provide one now. Mr. McEvoy said he did not agree with the wetlands boundary as on the approved plan. Mr. McEvoy was advised that if he was not happy with his contractor he could find another that might not charge as much, but the plan approved by the members needed to be followed. In any event, the Chairman told Mr. McEvoy that the remediation must be completed by the end of May 2023. Saying that it was not fair and he would call the attorney, Mr. McEvoy left the meeting.

Application 22-32 from John Maxwell as agent for Robert Ebner for a seawall at 38A Brunetto Grove was not considered as he was not present. This will be on next month's agenda.

Application 22-36 from Jonathan Martin for a cabin, well, and septic at 12 Marsh Point was considered. On a motion by Connie Trolle, seconded by Clif Wheeler, it was **VOTED** unanimously to approve this application that should not impact the lake.

New Business

Permit 22-09 modification of plan, Steven Kalur as agent for Stuart Ververs at 34 Woodward Road was considered. Mr. Kalur explained that a change was proposed for the pool house. Noting that the pool house was just outside the 100-foot regulated area, he said the proposed size was reduced. He said the approved plan called for the structure on a slab, with no roof gutters. His proposal would have frost walls with a crawlspace beneath the building, with curtain drains to daylight. He would like to have gutters on the roof with leaders directing the runoff away from the house; because the house location is below the rain garden the leaders could not discharge there. He said he would have to consult with the property owner's planers to see whether they would to have the first 1" of rain discharged to a collection area, or would be willing to have the runoff discharged at the house. On a motion by Connie Trolle, seconded by Clif Wheeler, it was **VOTED** unanimously to approve this proposed modification as having no greater impact than the previously plan, with Mr. Kalur informing the members of the owner's preferred approach.

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Application 23-01 from Ben Paletsky for food trucks and parking at the s-w corner of Rts 63 and 109 was discussed. A permit (12-438) had been granted to place 2500 yards of fill at this site with a site plan dated 2-2-2012 by Berkshire Engineering. Also submitted was a site plan dated 12-2-2022 by Cole Engineering showing three food trucks and parking for 35. The wetlands have been flagged by Ian Cole. Mr. Paletsky explained that the food trucks will be seasonal, and that they will be self-contained and nothing can be dumped from the trucks. There was a question regarding runoff down the slope. Mr. Paletsky said he would check on that. This will be on next month's agenda.

Application 23-02 from Kurt Heneveld for a living room extension at 4 Esthers Lane Extension was briefly discussed. There was no information on the location of the proposed addition. This will be on next month's agenda.

Other Business

It was agreed to submit the same budget request as last year.

Mike Doyle reported that a copy of an application to DEEP to treat Bantam Lake was received from SOLitude Lake Management for the Bantam Lake Protective Association.

There was no other business and the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,