**TOWN OF BARKHAMSTED**

**INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION**

**WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2025**

**BARKHAMSTED TOWN HALL**

**7:00 PM**

**APPROVED:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**PRESENT:** Chairperson Linda Ganem, Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer Debra Brydon, Linda Ciborowski, Jon Simons, Chris Tooker,

**ABSENT:** Ian Osborn, Jerry Maher Jr., Martha Sullivan

1. **NEW APPLICATIONS:**
2. **GREENLINE HOME BUILDERS, LLC., OWNER, GENNADIY KHOLOD, APPLICANT, 19 RATLUM MOUNTAIN ROAD. Application for placement of electrical conduit for new home.**

Construction has started on 19 Ratlum Mountain Road. Plans have been sent to Eversource. The proposed activity is to install a utility for new construction in the wetlands buffer area. Eversource engineer proposed running underground utilities as the best option for applicant to get electrical service.

The electrical line goes through the wetlands and will require 350 feet of digging for line placement. The lot is very wet and slopes downward towards the road. Debra Brydon, IWEO, suggested applicant Gennadiy Kholod ask Eversource for a feasible and prudent alternative instead of the current plan of running underground utilities through part of the wetlands area. Chairperson Linda Ganem suggested installing a pole.

Jon Simons accepted the application as regulated, significant, seconded by Linda Ciborowski and unanimously approved. Application is set for a public hearing on Tuesday, September 2, 2025.

1. **PUBLIC HEARINGS:** **NONE**
2. **PENDING APPLICATIONS:**
3. **WEST HILL PROPERTIES, LLC., OWNER, HILLSIDE ENTERPRISE, LLC, APPLICANT, 325 New Hartford Road. Application for restoration and clean-up of property.**

Conner Benson, applicant, was present at meeting. There remains a stockpile of manure and dirt to be removed along with grading behind the house that needs to be completed by the end of October, 2025. Silt fence is in place around the dirt pile.

Chris Tooker made a motion to approve the application, as presented, with the following conditions, seconded by Linda Ciborowski and unanimously approved.

1. Permanent makers shall be placed at 100’ and 200’ intervals along the surveyed wetland boundaries.
2. Activity should follow the 2002 Sedimentation and Erosion Control Guidelines. All sedimentation and erosion control measure shall remain in place and be maintained until a permanent vegetative cover is established.
3. Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer to be notified in writing one week prior to construction.
4. Any excess materials will be removed from site (i.e., no stockpiling). No stumps shall be buried on site.
5. If individual site plans differ in any way from the approved plan, the individual site plan must be resubmitted to the Wetlands Commission
6. All vehicle working on site should be equipped with spill kits.
7. **INLAND/WETLANDS ENFORCEMENT OFFICER’S REPORT:**

Debbie Brydon reported continued monitoring of 48 East River Road for proper sedimentation and erosion controls.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Chris Tooker made a motion to approve minutes from the July 1, 2025 meeting, seconded by Jon Simon and unanimously approved.

1. **CORRESPONDENCE:** **NONE**
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE**
3. **Chairperson Linda Ganem adjourned the meeting at 7:45pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Vicky Avak Connors