

TOWN OF LEDYARD

741 Colonel Ledyard Highway Ledyard, Connecticut 06339

Inland Wetland and Water Courses Commission

Meeting Minutes - Final

Chairman Justin DeBrodt

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, April 1, 2025

7:00 PM

Council Chambers - Hybrid Format

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL AND APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES

Present Chairman Justin DeBrodt

Commissioner Dan Pealer

Commissioner Michael E. Marelli Alternate Member Robert Graham

Excused Vice Chair Beth E. Ribe

Absent Alternate Member James Thompson

In addition, the following were present:

Zoning & Wetlands Enforcement Official, Hannah Gienau Land Use Assistant, Anna Wynn

IV. APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS TO AND/OR CHANGES TO THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

None.

V. CITIZENS PETITIONS (NON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

None.

VI. PRE APPLICATION DISCUSSION AND/OR WORKSHOP

None.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS/APPLICATIONS

None.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. IWWC#25-5SITE - 19, 29 & 39 Military Highway (PARCEL IDS: 91-1590-19, 29 & 39), Gales Ferry, CT - Agent, Brian Smith, Esq., Robinson & Cole - Applicant/Owner: C.R. Klewin LLC for approval of regulated activities associated with construction of a 278-unit multifamily residential housing development & associated site improvements. (Submitted 2/24/25, Date of Receipt 3/4/25, PH Open 4/1/25, DRD 5/7/25)

Chairman DeBrodt stated for the record that the Site Walk for this application took place on March 29, 2025 and that the opening of the public hearing was rescheduled to April 22, 2025 in the Ledyard Middle School Auditorium.

MOTION to table application to the IWWC Special Meeting of April 22, 2025

RESULT: TABLED
MOVER: Dan Pealer
SECONDER: Robert Graham

AYE: 4 DeBrodt, Pealer, Marelli, and Graham

EXCUSED: 1 Ribe

ABSENT: 1 Thompson

B. IWWC#25-6SITE - 600 Lantern Hill Rd (PARCEL ID: 74-1210-600) Ledyard, CT - Agent, Scott Johnson, Director, Ledyard Parks & Recreation - Applicant/Lessee: Town of Ledyard - Owners, Mary & Robert Graham for approval of regulated activities associated with site improvements for Lantern Hill Valley Park (Date submitted 2/26/25, Date of Receipt 3/4/25, Tabled to 4/1/25, DRD 5/7/25)

Chairman DeBrodt quickly reviewed the proceedings of this application from the last meeting. He asked Mr. Johnson, who was attending by Zoom, if had anything additional to present to the Commission. Mr. Johnson stated no.

Hannah Gienau read her staff report into the record addressing final comments for the application.

MOTION move to APPROVE Application #IWWC 25-6SITE, submitted by the Agent, Scott Johnson, Director of Parks and Recreation, Applicant/Lessee, Town of Ledyard, and the Property Owner Mary and Robert Graham, for regulated activities relative to construct site improvements for a park, including a pavilion, two pervious parking areas, boat launch, and multiple riparian buffers & associated site improvements as more fully described in the application & supporting documents, dated February 26, 2025 and a plan entitled "Plan Prepared for Town of Ledyard, Lantern Hill Valley Park, 596-602 Lantern Hill Road Ledyard CT, Dated February 2025" with the conditions as follows:

- 1. Soil erosion and sediment controls shall be installed prior to the start of work and maintained in good working order until any disturbed soils are permanently stabilized with vegetative cover.
- 2. Prior to the start of any work at the site, the Ledyard Wetlands Enforcement Officer shall

be notified and shall conduct an inspection to verify soil erosion and sediment controls have been properly installed.

3. Any future proposed changes to the proposed site plan submitted as part of this application shall be reviewed and approved by the Wetlands Official and/or the IWWC.

RESULT: APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

MOVER: Dan Pealer

SECONDER: Michael E. Marelli

AYE: 3 DeBrodt, Pealer, and Marelli

EXCUSED: 1 Ribe

ABSENT: 1 Thompson

RECUSED: 1 Graham

IX. NEW BUSINESS

None.

X. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

A. IWWC Regular Meeting Minutes of March 4, 2025

The Commissioner briefly discussed the minutes as presented.

MOTION to approve the IWWC Regular Meeting Minutes of March 4, 2025

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Dan Pealer SECONDER: Robert Graham

AYE: 4 DeBrodt, Pealer, Marelli, and Graham

EXCUSED: 1 Ribe

ABSENT: 1 Thompson

XI. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

XII. REPORTS

A. Wetlands Staff Report of April 2025

Hannah Gienau briefly discussed her staff report with the Commission.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Graham moved the meeting to be adjourned,

seconded by Commissioner Pealer
The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,
Chairman Justin DeBrodt
Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission

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