

**CHAPLIN**  
**INLAND WETLANDS, WATERCOURSES AND CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Regularly Scheduled Monthly Meeting**  
May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 @ 7:00 P.M.  
Chaplin Town Hall

Present: S. Matthies, V. Walton, S. Rusch, D. Field  
Staff: J. Theroux  
Others: Mrs. Crocker

S. Matthies called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Alternates seated: V. Walton for D. Cates

Review and approval of the minutes from Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023, regularly scheduled meeting:

**Motion by S. Rusch to approve regular meeting minutes for the 10/25/2023 meeting:**  
**Second by D. Field. All in favor.**  
**Motion passed.**

Audience of Citizens: None

Additions to the Agenda: None

Old Business: None

New Business: 152 England Rd. Mr. Keith Crocker, notice of violation, filling adjacent to wetlands/application to perform drainage improvements. Grading in upland review area.

Mrs. Crocker presented the application and site plan depicting the proposed activities adjacent to the existing pond and intermittent watercourse.

The purpose of the activity is to improve the current drainage issues, specifically the storm water discharges from England Road.

Agent J. Theroux explained the location of the wetlands on the town GIS mapping and that only minimal filling occurred in the wetlands.

He continued further explaining how the stormwater and drainage flows into the stream, pond and wetlands.

It was the consensus of the Commission that a site walk is warranted and it is planned for June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 5:45 PM.

**Motion by D. Field to accept the application for review.**  
**Second by V. Walton. All in favor.**  
**Motion passed.**

Correspondence: A workshop flyer from the Connecticut Conservation Council  
And a letter from Joshuas Trust explaining grassland management strategy for the hayfield on the Tower Hill property.

Administrative Report: Agent J. Theroux explained to the Commission the ongoing issues with the construction of the fire pond as it has been too wet to effectively excavate.

The England Road bridge project was also discussed as the contractor has started the initial site preparation and construction.

Conservation Commission Business: None

Commission Discussion: Chairman Matthies explained the proposed vs. approved changes to the 2024 budget.

**Adjournment: Motion by S. Rusch to adjourn, Second by D. Field. All in favor.**

**Motion passed.**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm**

*Respectfully submitted,  
Joseph R. Theroux  
Acting Recording Secretary*