



MINUTES
INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING
December 16, 2025
7:00 PM - Town Hall-Council Chambers
820 Enfield St, Enfield, CT
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ktPIGeuOGzs>

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Corbin Sobinski called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. FIRE EVACUATION ANNOUNCEMENT

Fire evacuation announcement was made.

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Dylan Bridge, Robert Gillespie, Kelly Hemmeler, Virginia Higley, Kenneth Kaufman, Christopher Renaud, Donna Corbin Sobinski, Kevin Zorda, Christopher Latocki

Absent: Anne Whitney Collins

Also Stephen Hiney, Assistant Town Planner; and Rebecca Jones, Recording

Present: Secretary.

Chair Corbin Sobinski seated Commissioner Gillespie as a voting member.

4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION AND PETITIONS

None.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

6. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETINGS

A. October 21, 2025

MOTION by: Kevin Zorda **seconded:** Kenneth Kaufman to approve the October 21, 2025 meeting minutes.

UPON A SHOW OF HANDS VOTE, the Chair declared the motion approved. Yes: Dylan Bridge, Kelly Hemmeler, Virginia Higley, Kenneth Kaufman, Donna Corbin Sobinski, Kevin Zorda No: None Abstain: Robert Gillespie.

7. TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT

A. October 30, 2025

Town attorney report was received.

8. CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARINGS

9. NEW PUBLIC HEARINGS

10. OLD BUSINESS

11. NEW BUSINESS

12. ENFORCEMENT REPORTS

A. 50 Steele Road - Cease & Desist

Attorney Brian Smith was present on behalf of the applicants, Martin and Lorraine Andexler. A boundary survey was submitted for review as requested at the last meeting. The survey was reviewed in detail, including the drainage easements, significant trees and area of cutting done by the neighbor. Attorney Smith also noted there are a few dying trees on the property that need to be removed once the Cease and Desist order is lifted. Commissioner Zorda opined that removal of these trees would be appropriate. Mr. Hiney shared notes from his last site visit and also indicated that the trees should be removed due to decay. It was suggested that Mr. Andexler work with the neighbor to clear up the culvert. If the neighbor is not responsive, he can file a complaint with the Planning staff and appropriate action will be taken. The neighbor is financially responsible for cleaning up his portion of the culvert.

MOTION by: Kevin Zorda **seconded:** Kelly Hemmeler to allow agent approval for the restitution and clearing new tree removal and removal of associated brush for the property at 50 Steele Road, Enfield, CT owned by Martin and Lorraine Andexler.

UPON A SHOW OF HANDS VOTE, the Chair declared the motion approved. Yes: Dylan Bridge, Robert Gillespie, Kelly Hemmeler, Virginia Higley, Kenneth Kaufman, Donna Corbin Sobinski, Kevin Zorda No: None Abstain: None.

Mr. Andexler asked if he could receive more conservation discs to put on trees to prevent this from happening to future abutting property owners. Mr. Hiney will check the process with other Planning staff and get back to him with an answer.

13. PLANNING STAFF REPORT

Mr. Hiney shared a notice from DEEP that dam maintenance and repairs will be taking place at Shaker Pines lake. Mr. Hiney also reported that the previously approved Winstanley warehouse located between Shaker Pines and Crescent Lake will be presenting a site plan modification at the next Planning and Zoning meeting. The building has been scaled down

considerably. The wetlands impacts will be the same or less than previously approved. Erosion and sediment control measures were reviewed. Stormwater management system will remain the same.

14. APPLICATIONS TO BE RECEIVED

15. MISCELLANEOUS

The commissioners shared their updates from the CACIWC seminar. Chair Corbin Sobinski thanked the IT department in relation to the iPad training the commission received.

16. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by: Kenneth Kaufman, seconded: Virginia Higley to adjourn.

Upon a **SHOW-OF-HANDS** vote being taken, the Chair declared the motion adopted unanimously, and the meeting stood adjourned at 7:29pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Virginia Higley
Secretary

Rebecca Jones
Recording Secretary