



**MINUTES  
INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES AGENCY  
REGULAR MEETING**

**June 16, 2026**

**6:00 PM - Town Hall-Council Chambers  
820 Enfield St, Enfield, CT**

**[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= 0-oLzf7ZVA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0-oLzf7ZVA)**

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Corbin Sobinski called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

**2. FIRE EVACUATION ANNOUNCEMENT**

Fire evacuation announcement was made.

**3. ROLL CALL**

Present: Donna Corbin Sobinski, Anne Collins, Kelly Hemmeler, Kenneth Kaufman, Christopher Renaud, Robert Gillespie

Absent: Kevin Zorda, Virginia Higley, Christopher Latocki

Also Rick Rachele, Zoning Enforcement Officer; Jeffrey Arigoni, Wetlands Agent;

Present: and Rebecca Jones, Recording Secretary

Commissioner Gillespie was seated as a voting member.

**4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION AND PETITIONS**

None.

**5. CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

**6. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETINGS**

A. June 2, 2026

**MOTION by:** Kelly Hemmeler **seconded:** Kenneth Kaufman to approve the June 2, 2026 regular meeting minutes.

**UPON A ROLL CALL VOTE**, the Chair declared the motion approved. Yes: Donna Corbin Sobinski, Anne Collins, Kenneth Kaufman, Christopher Renaud No: None Abstain: Kelly Hemmeler, Robert Gillespie

**7. TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT**

None.

**8. CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

**9. NEW PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

## 10. OLD BUSINESS

A. **AAA# 145 - 117 North Street** - Application for an Agent Approval for material removal within the Upland Review Area; Joseph Liquore, Applicant/Owner, Map 93/Lot 15, I-1 Zone  
Wes Wentworth, Engineer, was present on behalf of the owner and applicant. This is an application for an agent approval to remove brush, topsoil, and rubble piles from the Upland Review Area. The materials are to be loaded directly onto a truck and removed from the site. All disturbed areas are to be fine graded, seeded, and mulched immediately after material removal from the Upland Review Area.

117 North Street is in an I-1 zone, and the parcel is 24.55 acres in size. The property has been used for farming purposes, a sand and gravel construction operation and includes a legal non-conforming residential dwelling. The background of this application stems from previous wetlands violations cited on the property starting in January 2019. The aforementioned violations have since been addressed via a Judge Stipulated Agreement in February 2026. The purpose of this agent approval application is to address a violation that was not included in the stipulated agreement. Following the Commission's vote to table the discussion for AAA# 145 at the June 2, 2026 regular meeting, the applicant has prepared updated site plans that detail a silt fence between the rubble piles and the wetlands.

**MOTION by:** Kelly Hemmeler **seconded:** Kenneth Kaufman to approve AAA# 145 - 117 North Street - Application for an Agent Approval for material removal within the Upland Review Area; Joseph Liquore, Applicant/Owner, Map 32/Lot 15, I-1 Zone with general conditions.

**UPON A ROLL CALL VOTE**, the Chair declared the motion approved. Yes: Donna Corbin Sobinski, Anne Collins, Kelly Hemmeler, Kenneth Kaufman, Christopher Renaud, Robert Gillespie No: None Abstain: None.

## 11. NEW BUSINESS

A. **XIW 26-01 - 58 West Shore Dr** - Application for a Wetlands Permit to upgrade the wastewater pumping station, retaining wall, and associated site improvements; Water Pollution Control, Applicant; Town of Enfield, Owner, Map 96/Lot 23; R-33/LFOD Zone  
Donald Nunes, Director of Public Works, was present on behalf of the Town of Enfield. Also present was Nash Erickson and Joe Perigini, Professional Engineers. This is an application for a Wetlands permit for upgrading an existing wastewater pumping station, performing some site improvements (new driveway, perimeter fencing, site entrance etc.), and replacing the existing metal sheet pile wall along Shaker Pond from #58 West Shore Drive to #76 West Shore Drive.

Site plans were reviewed. Current conditions of the wall were detailed. It has been determined that the entire site is located within the Upland Review Area relating to the flagged wetlands associated with Shaker Pond and the terrace escarpment slopes identified on the Soil Scientist Report. No permanent direct wetland impacts are proposed. Feedback from both CT DEEP and the Army Corps of Engineers has been positive.

Existing drainage patterns and surface flow directions will be maintained/unchanged. The entire area enclosed within the fencing will have a stone apron for ease of maintenance and with the added benefit of encouraging natural infiltration/stormwater runoff. Also, no part of the project is within the water supply watershed of the local water company.

Commissioner Kaufman asked about the project start date. The wall construction is set to begin this fall and the pump station will take place after. Mr. Arigoni reviewed Planning comments, which all of which have been addressed by the applicant. Chair Corbin Sobinski confirmed that topsoil will be brought onsite, to be used mainly for utility construction.

**MOTION by:** Kelly Hemmeler **seconded:** Kenneth Kaufman to approve XIW 26-01 - 58 West Shore Drive - Application for a Wetlands Permit to upgrade the wastewater pumping station, retaining wall, and associated site improvements; Water Pollution Control, Applicant Town of Enfield, Owner, Map 96/Lot 23, R-33 LFOD Zone with the following site specific condition: Soils may be brought onto the site as discussed.

**UPON A ROLL CALL VOTE**, the Chair declared the motion approved. Yes: Donna Corbin Sobinski, Kelly Hemmeler, Kenneth Kaufman, Christopher Renaud, Robert Gillespie Jr No: Anne Collins Abstain: None. Commissioner Collins voted no because she believes it is going to affect the seven abutters and that it will affect the watercourse and lake.

## **12. ENFORCEMENT REPORTS**

### **A. Cease & Desist - 174 Shaker Road**

Mr. Rachele stated that the Commission gave the property owner until the end of May to remove the containers and wood chip piles. A response from Attorney Schober was sent via email to the Commission. Mr. Rachele reviewed the Commission's options.

**MOTION by:** Kelly Hemmeler **seconded:** Christopher Renaud to extend the Cease and Desist order for 174 Shaker Road to the July 7, 2026 regular meeting.

**UPON A ROLL CALL VOTE**, the Chair declared the motion approved. Yes: Donna Corbin Sobinski, Anne Collins, Kelly Hemmeler, Kenneth Kaufman, Christopher Renaud, Robert Gillespie No: None Abstain: None.

### **B. Notice of Violation - 13 Hillyer Drive**

Property owner Tom Brocuglio was present for discussion. The Planning Department received an anonymous complaint in the mail stating that Mr. Brocuglio was seen using machine equipment on the property at 13 Hillyer Drive, even after being informed at the March 18th meeting that he is not allowed to do so until he receives a wetlands permit.

Mr. Brocuglio provided photos showing that he has not done any work in the area since the meeting. He stated that there is a mulcher located at 51 Bridge Street, which he also owns. There has been clearing done on that lot, but not at 13 Hillyer. Mr. Arigoni completed a site visit and noted nothing of concern. Mr. Brocuglio just completed the soil scientist report and site survey. He hopes to present the wetlands application at a July meeting.

**MOTION by:** Kelly Hemmeler **seconded:** Kenneth Kaufman to dismiss the Notice of Violation for 13 Hillyer Drive.

**UPON A ROLL CALL VOTE**, the Chair declared the motion approved. Yes: Donna Corbin Sobinski, Anne Collins, Kelly Hemmeler, Kenneth Kaufman, Christopher Renaud, Robert Gillespie Jr No: None Abstain: None.

Commissioner Hemmeler questioned the validity of an anonymous complaint. Mr. Rachele stated that the violation occurred on a weekend when Planning staff is unable to complete an immediate inspection. He noted that anonymous complaints can be valid, but no violation was seen during this site visit.

### **13. PLANNING STAFF REPORT**

None.

### **14. APPLICATIONS TO BE RECEIVED**

A. **IW 729 - 10 Wheeler Dr** - Application for a Wetlands Permit to replace retaining wall within Upland Review Area; Dan Smith, Applicant/Owner, Map 80/Lot 165; R-33/LFOD Zone  
Chair Corbin Sobinski noted that the application has missing sections. The applicant is working on a revised application.

### **15. MISCELLANEOUS**

Chair Corbin Sobinski requested that a written procedure be drafted as it relates to the monetary fines that may be imposed by this Commission. Mr. Rachele will put in a request to the Town Attorney.

### **16. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION by:** Kelly Hemmeler, seconded: Kenneth Kaufman to adjourn.

Upon a **SHOW-OF-HANDS** vote being taken, the Chair declared the motion adopted unanimously, and the meeting stood adjourned at 6:38pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Higley

Secretary

Rebecca Jones

Recording Secretary