

**BRIDGEWATER**  
**CONSERVATION AND INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION**  
**Approved Minutes - Regular Meeting**  
**May 2, 2023, 7:30 pm**  
**Bridgewater Town Hall, 44 Main Street South, Bridgewater, CT 06752**

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**Call to Order:** Chairperson Eric Vikstrom called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**Roll Call and Designation of Alternates:**

**Present:** Eric Vikstrom, Jeff Jones, Paul Hines, Rich Miller, Joe Wilcox, Ted Alt (alt), Rudy Simari (alt)

**Absent:** Steve Berger

T. Alt and R. Simari were moved up to voting status.

**Approval of Minutes - Regular Meeting held April 4, 2023:**

J. Jones made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held April 4, 2023. J. Wilcox seconded. Unanimous approval.

**Comments from the Public, Correspondence:** none

**Any Other Business Added by 2/3 Vote of the Commission:**

1. #W 23-5-1 – Davis, 19 Hambrock Lane, detached garage. J. Jones made a motion to add application #W 23-5-1 to the agenda. J. Wilcox seconded. Unanimous approval.
2. #W 23-5-2 – Helmy, 296 Skyline Ridge Road, dredge pond. J. Jones made a motion to add application #W 23-5-2 to the agenda. P. Hines seconded. Unanimous approval.

**Old Business:**

1. #W 23-4-1 – Heimann, 166 Christian Street, new septic system. J. Wilcox and S. Berger were case officers. J. Wilcox reported no concerns. J. Wilcox made a motion to approve the application (#W 23-4-1 dated 3/7/23 and shown on the “Proposed Subsurface Sewage Disposal System Plan” dated 1/18/23 prepared by Arthur H. Howland & Associates for Karen & Joshua Heimann. R. Simari seconded. Unanimous approval.
2. #W 23-4-2 – Saft, 188 Iron Ore Hill Road, deck covered screened porch. E. Vikstrom and P. Hines were case officers. E. Vikstrom reported no concerns. P. Hines made a motion to approve the application (#W 23-4-2 dated 3/27/23 and shown on the “Property & Topographic Survey” dated 3/6/23 prepared by CCA, LLC for Stuart & Stephanie Saft. E. Vikstrom seconded. Unanimous approval.
3. #W 23-4-3 – Shook, 709 Main Street South, pole barn, covered deck. R. Simari and J. Wilcox were case officers. R. Simari reported no concerns. R. Simari made a motion to approve the application (#W 23-4-3 dated 3/29/23 and shown on the “Partial Property Survey Map” as revised 3/29/23 prepared by New England Land Surveying for Dustin L. Shook & Tamara L. Shook. J. Wilcox seconded. Unanimous approval.

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4. #W 23-4-5 – Sunny Meadow LLC, 199 Curtis Road, farm utility building. J. Jones and T. Alt were case officers. J. Jones reported project not close to wetlands however there is significant amount of roof area. The applicant provided an updated plan to mitigate the concern. J. Jones made a motion to approve the application (#W23-4-5 dated 4/4/23 and shown on the “Site Improvement Plan” dated 5/2/23 prepared by Artel Engineering Group, LLC for Sunny Meadow Farm, LLC. J. Wilcox seconded. In Favor: J. Jones, P. Hines, R. Miller, J. Wilcox, T. Alt, R. Simari. Abstained: E. Vikstrom. Motion passes.
5. #W 23-4-6 – Pratt (Blizman), 50 Summit Lane, barn/garage & pond. E. Vikstrom and P. Hines were case officers. The application is for Blizman, not Pratt as noted on the agenda and minutes. E. Vikstrom reported no concerns with the updated application and plan. The application includes the barn/garage, pond, front covered porch, and rear covered sunroom with deck and hot tub. The applicant provided an updated application and survey. E. Vikstrom reported no concerns with the updated application and plan. P. Hines made a motion to approve the application (#W 23-4-6 dated 4/3/23 and shown on the “Improvement Location Survey – Proposed Barn” dated 3/28/23 prepared by Smith & Company for William J. Blizman. E. Vikstrom seconded. Unanimous approval.

**New Business:**

1. #W 23-5-1 – Davis, 19 Hambrock Lane, detached garage. Leo Jette Jr. presented the application. J. Wilcox and R. Miller will be case officers.
2. #W 23-5-2 – Helmy, 296 Skyline Ridge Road, dredge pond. Jason Martinelli presented the application. J. Jones and T. Alt will be case officers

**Reports of Officers & Committees:**

1. WEO Report. The WEO Report for January, February, and March was received by the Commission.

**Procedural Matters & Bills:** none

**Other Business:**

1. E. Vikstrom notified WEO R. Dirienzo of activity in the pond at 7 Barn Road and in the stream at 678 Main Street South.
2. CT DEEP Permit Applications for Use of Pesticides in State Waters. J. Jones spoke with First Selectman Curtis Read. J. Jones is still unable to reach DEEP but will continue to research the Commission’s possible role in reviewing and approving these applications.

**Discussion (audience participation):** none

**Adjournment:** J. Jones made a motion to adjourn. P. Hines seconded. Unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Meg Khare*

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Land Use Coordinator