

TOWN OF GRANBY
INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
MINUTES
September 10, 2014

PRESENT

David Tolli, Wayne Cahoon, Aurelle Locke, Debra Sheahan and David Askew.

Chairman Tolli called the meeting to order and confirmed a quorum at 7:05 p.m.

MINUTES

ON A MOTION by Mrs. Sheahan, seconded by Mrs. Locke, the commission approves (4-0-0) the minutes of the August 13, 2014 as written. (4-0-0)

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

2a. Zhovkliy, 218 West Granby Road

Commission members in attendance had visited the property. The original approved map of the site did not encroach on the wetland. Now approximately one-third of an acre of trees have been removed from the regulated area and a lawn has been planted. The remaining maple tree of substantial size has died since its root system was covered over. There is approximately sixty additional feet of lawn that was not approved.

Wetland Agent, David Askew, reports that, according to his borings, 2" to 6" of top soil (mostly sandy material) has been spread over the wetland area. The impact on the wetland may not be significant and there should be no major effect on system hydrology.

Commission members indicated that there was a blatant disregard for the wetland area. The property owner had been before this commission before and had been given clear lines of where activities may take place. The clearing has gone far beyond what would be necessary for a lawn and chickens.

Property owner, Irina Zhovkliy, admits that mistakes were made. She asks the commission for forgiveness and requests that they are allowed to leave the property as is and promises not to make further changes.

The commission requires remediation on the site. Soils are to be removed and the area must be left to return to its natural state. Mr. Askew will write a letter outlining the requirements for compliance. The property owner should not make any changes to the property until the letter is received and the required permit for the work required is filed.

ANY OTHER PROPER BUSINESS

No additional business was discussed.

The next monthly meeting is October 8, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall meeting room.

ON A MOTION by Mrs. Locke, seconded by Mr. Cahoon, the commission unanimously agreed to end the meeting at 8:00 p.m. (4-0-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Yost
Recording Secretary