

INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES COMMISSION

The Connecticut General Statutes empower the Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission to regulate activities occurring within inland wetlands or watercourses and to review any activity occurring in the adjacent upland that could negatively affect these natural resources. The Commission does not regulate activities within or adjacent to tidal wetlands, the Connecticut River, or Long Island Sound.

The Board of Selectmen appoints 3 at-large members and 3 alternate members for a 2-year term; participating commissions select representative members for a 2-year term each to provide coordination of land use policies. The membership of the Agency is the same as those appointed to serve the Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission.

During the 2017-2018 fiscal year, the Commission held 11 meetings at which it acted upon 13 applications for new development with regulated activity of which 10 were residential in nature and 3 were commercial. The Wetlands Enforcement Officer reviewed 3 applications for development with minor activity and responded to a number of violations of the regulations to pursue compliance.

Many thanks for Paul Carver and Brendan McKeown for their longtime participation in the work of the Commission.

The Commission meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Hall, first floor conference room. Gillian Carroll, Environmental Planner, serves as our enforcement agent. Sharon Migliaccio of the Land Use Department supports the Commission as administrative clerk.

Colin Heffernan, *Chairman*