
Establishing a Separate Inland Wetland Watercourse Agency

TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR

The following ordinance was adopted at a Special Town Meeting duly warned and held on February 24, 2010.

“ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A SEPARATE INLAND WETLAND WATERCOURSES AGENCY FOR THE TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR”

WHEREAS: In 1972, the Town of East Windsor passed Ordinance 72-2 establishing a Conversation Commission pursuant to the provisions of Section 7-131a of the Connecticut General Statutes; and

WHEREAS: In 1973, the Town of East Windsor passed Ordinance 73-3 designating the Conversation Commission as the Inland Wetlands Agency; and

WHEREAS: Establishing an Inland Wetlands Agency separate from the Conservation Commission would better serve the Town;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED: that the Town of East Windsor shall establish a separate Inland Wetland and Watercourses Agency. The members of the Inland Wetland and Watercourses Agency shall be the members of the present Conservation Commission/Inland Wetland Watercourses Agency currently consisting of seven (7) regular member and three (3) alternates, with terms of four (4) years. The Board of Selectmen will reduce the number of members over a span of three (3) years to five (5) regular members and two (2) alternates. Members of the Inland Wetland Watercourses Agency shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The Board of Selectmen may remove any member for cause and may fill any vacancy.

The Inland Wetland Watercourses Agency is authorized to regulate the wetlands and watercourses located within the Town of East Windsor as granted the authority by Connecticut General Statute Section 22a-42 through Connecticut General Statute 22a-45, also known as Chapter 440 of the Connecticut General Statutes, entitled “Wetlands and Watercourses”.

The Chief Executive Officer of the Town shall appoint new members to the Conservation Commission consisting of five (5) regular members and three (3) alternates. The Conservation Commission members shall serve for terms of four (4) years; two (2) members of the Commission shall serve for a period of two (2) years, two (2) members of the Commission shall serve for a period of three (3) years and one (1) member shall serve for a period of four (4) years. Thereafter, all members shall serve for a period of four (4) years. Two (2) alternate members shall serve for a period of two (2) years and one (1) alternate member shall serve for a period of three (3) years; thereafter alternates shall serve terms of four (4) years. Members of the Conservation Commission shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmen of the Town. The Board of Selectmen may remove any member for cause and may fill any vacancy.

The Conservation Commission is authorized as an advisory commission and shall conduct research into the utilization and possible utilization of land areas of the municipality and may coordinate the activities of unofficial bodies organized for similar purposes, and may advertise, prepare and distribute books, maps, charts, plans and pamphlets as necessary for its purposes. It may propose a greenways plan for inclusion in the plan of conservation and development of the municipality prepared pursuant to section 8-23. It may inventory natural resources and formulate watershed management and drought management plans. Such plans shall be consistent with water supply management plans prepared pursuant to section 25-32d. It shall keep an index of all open areas, publicly or privately owned, including open marshlands, swamps and other wetlands, for the purpose of obtaining information on the proper use of such areas, and may from time to time recommend to the planning commission or, if none, to the chief executive officer or the legislative body plans and programs for the development and use of such areas. It may make recommendations to zoning commissions, planning commissions, inland wetlands agencies and other municipal agencies on proposed land use changes. It shall keep records of its meetings and activities and shall make an annual report to the municipality in the manner required of other agencies of the respective municipalities.

Ordinance 73-3 adopted October 31, 1973; Ordinance 76-2 adopted October 14, 1976; and Ordinance 86-3 adopted December 16, 1986 are hereby repealed.

Ordinance 90-10 adopted November 1, 1990 is hereby amended by deleting the last sentence of that ordinance.

The foregoing ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after the publication thereof in a newspaper having circulation in East Windsor.

Ord. 10-03

Attest: _____
Joanne M. Slater, CCTC
Asst. Town Clerk of East Windsor

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