ORDINANCE CREATING THE WETLANDS COMMISSION

Enacted by vote of the Town Meeting of the Town of New Hartford on the 29th day of November, 1973:

1. Pursuant to the provisions of Public Act No. 155 of the 1972 Session of the General Assembly of the State of Connecticut, as amended by Public Act No. 73-571, which act, is commonly known as “The Inland Wetlands and Water Courses Act”, there is hereby established a Wetlands Commission to act as the agency of the Town in the implementation of the provision of said Act.

2. Said Commission shall have all the powers and responsibilities authorized under said Act, as the same may be amended from time to time. The Commission shall promulgate regulations concerning activities affecting the wetlands and water courses within the territorial limits of the Town including regulations dealing with the licensing of activities on such wetland and water courses.

3. Said Commission shall be composed of seven (7) members, resident electors of the Town of New Hartford, and appointed by the Board of Selectmen, provided that at least one member shall be appointed from the Town Planning & Zoning Commission, and at least one (1) member shall be appointed from the Town Conservation Commission. In appointing the remaining five (5) members, Board of Selectmen shall give preference to those individuals who by their particular education, training, background, or interests might bring to said Commission particular expertise or ability useful to said Commission in the performance of its responsibilities.

4. Any vacancies in the membership of said Commission, which may occur through death, resignation or otherwise, shall be filled for the unexpired term of such member by appointment of the Board of Selectmen.

5. The terms of office of the two members of said Commission, who are also members of the Town Planning and Zoning Commission or Town Conservation Commission shall be concurrent with their terms of office on the Planning and Zoning Commission or Conservation Commission, as the case may be. Initial terms of the five (5) remaining members of the Commission shall be as follows:

   a. The first three (3) persons appointed shall serve for a period of three (3) years.
   b. The second two (2) persons appointed shall serve for a period of two (2) years.
   c. Thereafter, at the expiration of the original term of office of each of the five members, members shall be reappointed or his successor shall be appointed for a term of three (3) years.
6. Within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this ordinance, and its publication, the Board of Selectmen shall appoint the committee. Within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this ordinance, the First Selectman shall call the Organization Meeting of the committee at which time the committee shall elect a chairman or moderator; a vice-chairman or assistant moderator; and a secretary, each from their members. The duties of these officers shall be those commonly associated with such function. A quorum shall be four members and Roberts Rules of Order shall govern those activities of the members not specifically controlled by their own practices and procedures or this ordinance.

7. The First Selectman may remove any member, at any time, if, in the First Selectman’s judgment, after certification by a majority of the committee, a member’s lack of attendance, conflict of interest or disclosure of confidential information, is such as to work a hardship on the committee or the town.

8. This ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after its adoption by town meeting and its being published in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes.

TOWN MEETING – NOVEMBER 29, 1973
AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES TO THE WETLANDS COMMISSION

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this ordinance is to amend Section 3 of the Ordinance Creating the Wetlands Commission passed by a vote of the Town Meeting on November 29, 1973. The amendment is to allow for the appointment of two (2) alternates pursuant to Section 22a-43 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN MEETING OF THE TOWN OF NEW HARTFORD The Ordinance Creating the Wetlands Commission is hereby amended as follows:

3. Said Commission shall be composed of seven (7) members and two (2) alternates, resident electors of the Town of New Hartford, and appointed by the Board of Selectmen, provided that at least one regular member shall be appointed from the Town Planning & Zoning Commission, and at least one (1) regular member from the Town Conservation Commission. In appointing the remaining five (5) members and two (2) alternates ....

4. Any vacancies in the membership of said Commission, which may occur through death, resignation or otherwise, shall be filled for the unexpired term of such member or alternate by appointment of the Board of Selectmen.

5. (NEW)
   d. Alternates shall be appointed for a term of three (3) years.

7. The First Selectman may remove any member or alternate, at any time, if, in the First Selectman’s judgment, after certification by a majority of the commission, a member’s or alternate’s lack of attendance, conflict of interest or disclosure of confidential information, is such as to work a hardship on the commission or the town.

Effective Date:
This ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after publication hereof in a newspaper having a circulation in the Town.

Effective Date: January 20, 1989

Patricia J. Halloran, CCTC
Town Clerk
Town of New Hartford
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 3 AND 5 OF THE ORDINANCE CREATING THE WETLANDS COMMISSION

The purpose of this ordinance is to amend sections 3 and 5 of the ordinance creating the wetlands commission passed by a vote of the Town Meeting on November 29, 1973 as amended by a vote of the Town Meeting effective January 20, 1989. The adoption of this amendment will eliminate the requirement in the existing town ordinance that at least one member of the wetlands commission be appointed from the town planning and zoning commission and that at least one member be appointed from the town conservation commission.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN MEETING OF THE TOWN OF NEW HARTFORD:
That the ordinance creating the wetlands commission is hereby amended as follows:

3. Said Commission shall be composed of seven (7) regular members and two (2) alternates, resident electors of the town of New Hartford, appointed by the Board of Selectmen. In appointing said members, the Board of Selectmen shall give preference to those individuals who by their particular education, training, background, or interests might bring to said Commission particular expertise and ability useful to said Commission in the performance of its responsibilities.

5. The terms of office of the seven (7) regular members and two (2) alternate members shall be for a period of three (3) years. Thereafter, at the expiration of the term of office of each of the seven (7) regular members and two (2) alternate members, a member shall be reappointed or his successor shall be appointed for a term of three (3) years.

This ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after publication thereof in a newspaper having a general circulation in the town.

Effective Date: March 8, 2002