

## ORDINANCE REGARDING THE INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION

1. The Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission shall consist of seven (7) members, all of whom shall be electors of the Town of Chester. The Commission is designated and authorized, under the provisions of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Act set forth in Connecticut general Statutes 22a-36 to 22a-45, as amended:
  - (a) To act, promulgate and to enforce such regulations as may be necessary to conform and in conformity with the regulations promulgated by the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, State of Connecticut;
  - (b) To take any authorized action, to enforce any such provisions, and to license any such regulated activities, as set forth in said Act;
  - (c) To act as sole agent for the licensing of regulated activities under the provisions of said Act;
  - (d) To join with any other municipalities in the formation of a district for the regulation of activities affecting the wetlands and watercourses within such district, all in accordance with the provisions of said Act; and
  - (e) To act as the sole agent in advising and recommending to the Town of Chester, acting by and through a duly called Town Meeting of the electors of said town, as to whether such town shall or should acquire wetlands and/or watercourses within its territorial limits by gift or purchase in fee or lesser interest including, but not limited to, lease, easements or covenants, such to such reservations and exceptions as it, the Commission, deems advisable. For the purpose of acting upon the advice and recommendation of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission as set forth in this subsection of the Ordinance, the Board of Selectmen of said Town shall call a Special Town Meeting on application of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission, which such meeting shall be held within 21 days after the receipt of such application.

As the term of each regular or alternate current board member ends, such office shall be filled by appointment of the Board of Selectmen for a term of four years. In the event of death or resignation of a member, the vacancy shall be filled by the Board of Selectmen for the balance of the unexpired term. All policies for a balance of party representation on such Board shall remain in effect.