

**NO. 125 September 14, 2020, Selectmen's Meeting (Per Governor's Executive Order # 7-JJ)  
Effective October 28, 2020**

**Establishment of Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission; Reduction in Number of Members of Conservation Commission**

BE IT ORDAINED that:

1. There is hereby established an Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission, and such Commission may, subject to the terms of Section 7 below, promulgate regulations and exercise all powers and duties authorized by Chapter 440, Wetlands and Watercourses, of the Connecticut General Statutes.
2. The Commission shall consist of seven (7) members and a panel of three (3) alternate members, to be electors of the Town of Salisbury, holding no salaried municipal office.
3. Upon adoption of this ordinance, a majority vote of the Board of Selectmen shall appoint four (4) members and up to three (3) alternate members of such Commission to serve until the next succeeding biennial election of the Town or until their successors are appointed, and three (3) members to serve until the second succeeding biennial election or until their successors are appointed.
4. Within thirty (30) days following each biennial election of the Town, or on such later date as the Board of Selectmen may determine, the Board of Selectmen shall, by majority vote, appoint members to serve terms of four (4) years and alternate members to serve terms of two (2) years to fill vacancies caused by expired terms of members and alternate members of the Commission.
5. In the event of a vacancy prior to the expiration of the term of a member or alternate member, the Board of Selectmen shall, by majority vote, appoint a members or alternate member, as applicable, to serve the remainder of such term.
6. The Board of Selectmen, by majority vote, may remove a member of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission for cause, as determined by a majority of the Board of Selectmen. The First Selectman may remove an alternate member of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission for cause, as determined by the First Selectman.
7. Until such time as all members of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission are appointed and sworn in, the Conservation Commission shall retain authority over all matters involving inland wetlands and watercourses in the Town, including without limitation the authority to promulgate regulations and exercise all powers and duties authorized by Chapter 440, Wetlands and Watercourses, of the Connecticut General Statutes. Such authority shall immediately and automatically cease upon the appointment and swearing in of the first slate of members of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission.
8. The Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission shall elect a chairman and a secretary from its members, shall adopt rules for the transaction of business and shall keep a public record of its activities.
9. Upon the appointment and swearing in of the first slate of members of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission, the number of members of the Conservation Commission shall be reduced to five (5) and the number of alternate members of the Conservation Commission shall be reduced to two (2).