

Conservation/Inland Wetland Commission

Town of New Fairfield

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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday February 23, 2021

7:15 PM

Zoom Meeting

Meeting Moderator: Paul Gouveia

Call to Order

Tom Quigley called the regular meeting of the Conservation/Inland Wetland Commission to order at 7:15pm.

Members in Attendance

Tom Quigley, Jerry Schwalbe, Joan Archer, Chris McCartney, Keith Landa, Carolyn Rowan, and EEO Tim Simpkins. Lisa Zustovich took the meeting minutes.

Violations

None

New Business

3/5 Bay Drive, to construct a dwelling, driveway, well and septic system, map 15, block 12, lot 16&17, Bay Drive LLC/applicant. Applicant Bob Roscoe present along with Ralph Gallagher, Professional Engineer. Per Tim Simpkins this was previously approved back around approx.. 2005. Maps reviewed & discussed. Tom Quigley asked for information on the following:

- Liter and foundation drains
- Distance to wetlands
- Erosion controls to protect wetlands
- Limit of disturbance
- Cut and fill contours
- Excavation-stock piles
- Stonewall-map shows it going thru driveway- remove from/correct drawing

Jerry Schwalbe made a motion to accept the application for review, 2nd by Chris McCartney, all in favor except for Carolyn Rowan who abstain. **Accepted & Continued**

14 Erin Drive, two story addition on left elevation of home and new rear deck, map 23, block 14, lot 5&16, C&C Home Finishing/applicant, David & Stacey DiCairano/owner. Jessica Costa and husband/business partner present representing the applicant. The Commission had no questions, no discussion. Joan Archer made a motion to accept the application for review, 2nd by Keith Landa, all in favor except for Carolyn Rowan who abstained. **Accepted & Continued**

5 Candlewood Rd, demo existing dwelling and re-build on same footprint, new 16'-0"x28'-0" 2 story addition, extend existing deck 6'-5"x14'-0", omit front porch, build 6'x3'covered porch for entry way, map 39, block , lot15-24, Ralph Gallagher. Ralph Gallagher present. Per Mr. Gallagher the plan is to demo the existing house then rebuild on existing foundation and add a 16'x28'addition on to the east side of the dwelling. Maps reviewed and discussed. Mr. Gallagher asked the Commission to consider accepting for administrative approval. Commission members would like to visit the site. Tim Simpkins recommended the applicant move the storm water management above the stonewall to the east. Tom Quigley said he would like to see a construction fence placed along the silt fence line. Debris removal discussed. They will have dumpsters on the driveway, there will not be any stock piles. Carolyn Rowan asked if any trees would be

removed, applicant said no trees will be removed. Carolyn Rowan also requested that the silt fencing extend across the property. Keith Landa made a motion to accept the application for review, 2nd by Chris McCartney, all in favor. **Accepted & Continued**

Old Business

12 Albion Rd, construction of new home, well, septic, driveway, map 52.2, block 66, lot 67, Spruce Ridge Craftsmen, Joe Reilly. Joe Reilly and Ralph Gallagher present. Maps reviewed & discussed. Tom Quigley voiced concern for this project stating he felt it is a difficult site and is concerned with the drainage from the driveway. Ralph Gallagher said the driveway drainage will sheet flow to the west. Tom Quigley noted that the curtain drains go to riprap and asked if a rain garden or a storm water management system would be better. Tom Quigley was concerned about increased drainage onto neighboring properties and that the project has them crossing the wetlands twice. Contours discussed and reviewed on maps, maps need to be corrected. Carolyn Rowan voiced concern regarding how wet the property is and where the water will go once the house is built. Storm water management discussed, Ralph said they can put a rain garden at the end of the drainage pipe. Discussed installing an infiltrator. Riprap, swale and curtain drains discussed. Ralph said they can add a storm water management system on the westside of the house and back of the driveway. Joan Archer stated that she does not like pumping up the septic thru the wetlands. She would also like to hear from NY since it is near their watershed. Commission members would like to visit/revisit the site. The Commission discussed setting up a site walk before the next meeting. **Continued**

4 Pond View Drive and 11A Eastview Drive, construct a replacement well station, following construction, existing station will be demolished, map 24, block 1, lot 38 and map 24, bloc 15A, lot 18X Well, Aquarion Water Company. Zach Kuegler present, representing the applicant. New plans reviewed and discussed. Plans show silt fencing added and it has been marked as the limit of disturbance. Carolyn Rowan made a motion to approve the application, 2nd by Keith Landa, all in favor. **Approved**

Donna Drive, construct a replacement well station, following construction existing station at 17 Donna Drive will be demolished, map 27, block 4, lot 14, Aquarion Water Company. Zach Kuegler present, representing the applicant. Maps reviewed and discussed. Silt fencing shown on maps. Block wall discussed. Wetland disturbance offset by mitigation shown on maps. Tom Quigley requested applicant place riprap at the end of the tank foundation drains. Letter from Paul Rush, NY DEP discussed. Applicant will provide planting plan schedule and list of plantings/seed mix and will rip rap at the end of pipes as discussed. Joan Archer made a motion to approve the application, 2nd by Chris McCartney, all in favor. **Approved**

Correspondence

None

Administrative

Approve Meeting January 19, 2021. Chris McCartney made a motion to approve the 1-19-21 meeting minutes as written, 2nd by Keith Landa, all in favor. **Approved**

Conservation issues for the Town of New Fairfield. Carolyn Rowan said she shared a link with Tom from the CLA on zebra mussels and ask that he share it with the Commission. She encouraged the Commission to get involved with the search for zebra mussels along the shore line of Candlewood Lake. Carolyn also sent Tom an email with links to conservation legislative bills to also share with the Commission.

Adjournment

Joan Archer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Carolyn Rowan, all in favor.
Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.