

Conservation/Inland Wetland Commission
Town of New Fairfield
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Special Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 30, 2014

New Fairfield Town Hall Conference Room, 4 Brush Hill Rd – 7:15 PM

Call to Order

Patricia Del Monaco called the meeting of the New Fairfield Conservation/Inland Wetlands Commission to order at 7:20pm.

Members in Attendance

Patricia Del Monaco, Gerry Schwalbe, Jennifer Licht, Joan Archer and EEO Tim Simpkins. Minutes were taken by Lisa Zustovich.

Notice of Violation

Elwell Subdivision Phase 2, excavating and site work adjacent to and in wetlands, map 13, block 2, lot 1.1, Hearth Home Builders LLC. Mike Mazzuco and Wayne Skelly present. There was an area or wetlands that was missed when the wetlands were originally flagged on the property. There has been excavation, clearing of trees and stumps removed in the area. Tim Simpkins noted the wetlands area (in Phase 3 area) in Oct 2013. The wetlands area has since been delineated by Soil Scientist Jim McManus. Work was done without a permit in this area. Pat Del Monaco felt it was quite a bit of disturbance to the area.

Applicants to submit an application for phase 3 including work already done and the road for phase 2.

Continued

New Business

48 route 39, Construct 3 commercial buildings to conduct business allowed in the LI Zone, map 24, block 15, lot 38, 48 Rte 39 LLC, owner/Young, contractor. Peter Young present and stated they made some major changes from the original plan. Peter stated that they made one of the buildings smaller, pulled back the building and edge of work area further away from the wetlands and created more room between the buildings. Revised watershed map provided and discussed. Gerry Schwalbe made a motion to accept the application for review, 2nd by Jennifer Licht, all in favor. **Accepted & Continued**

Old Business

24 Sunset Drive, Modification of an existing permit steps, peers, and dock, map 11, block 2, lot 9, Arpaia/Stewart, owners, Gallagher/Hughes, agents. Ralph Gallagher present. Ralph has been in contact with First Light –needs approval from them for the wall and new dock. Ralph said the mason will build the wall by hand at the water line. They will have rip-rap into the water, mason steps and a new wood dock going over existing concrete piers. They will be removing the stonewall and sand area in the water. Joan Archer made a motion to approve the modification of existing permit, 2nd by Jennifer Licht, all in favor. **Approved**

8 Sylvan Road, Modification of existing permit for stone steps 4'-6' width, map 25, block 2, lot 9, Fagan/owner, Russo/agent. No owner or rep present. **Continued**

31 Deer Run, Modification of existing permit I/W-13-000034, to demolition and re construction of existing house. Map 15, block 1, lots 127-128, Mayhew. Kevin McSwiggan, Rockwell Excavation present, representing the owner. Issues were found with the area that they were originally trying to save (425 sq ft –main section of house). They feel that they need to put new footings and foundation. No additional excavation of original house area. Excavation for garage is done. Septic and well are done. Sequence of construction provided. Gerry Schwalbe made a motion to approve the modification of permit, 2nd by Joan Archer, all in favor. **Modification of permit Approved**

Correspondence

Letter from: C. Reedy, HRRRA Director re: Disposal Options for Invasive Plants. **No discussion**
Schedule of Meetings for 2014. **Commission members received a copy**
Letter from Rockwell Excavating, re: 31 Deer Run. **Previously discussed**

Administrative

Approve Meeting November 19, 2013, 2013 Meeting minutes. **Joan Archer made a motion to approve the 11-19-13 meeting minutes as written, 2nd by Gerry Schwalbe, all in favor except for Jennifer Licht who abstained.**

Conservation issues for the Town of New Fairfield. Tim Simpkins said that John Hodge spoke at the Selectman's meeting about creating a new ordinance regarding buffer gardens around the lake.

Adjournment

Jennifer Licht made a motion to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Gerry Schwalbe, all in favor. Meeting Adjourned @ 8:45pm.