

Conservation/Inland Wetland Commission
Town of New Fairfield
4 Brush Hill Road, New Fairfield, CT 06812
(203) 312-5640

Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, December 16, 2014
New Fairfield Community Room
33 Route 37 - 7:15 PM

Call to Order

Patricia Del Monaco called the New Fairfield Conservation Inland/Wetlands Meeting to order at 7:15[pm].

Members in Attendance

Patricia Del Monaco, Tom Quigley, Gerry Schwalbe, Jennifer Licht, Joan Archer and EEO Tim Simpkins. Lisa Zustovich took the meeting minutes.

Violation

24 Sunset Dr, construction & site work out of the scope of existing permit, Map 11, Block 2, Lot 9, Arpaia & Steward. Dr. Allen Steward and Donatella Arpaia-Steward present. There was a notice of violation issued over the summer and workers were told to stop work on 3 separate occasions but continued working per Tim Simpkins. There has been a considerable amount of work done that was outside the scope of the permit per Pat Del Monaco. There is a greater area of non-pervious surface than originally permitted. The Commission is concerned with the amount of the hillside that has been disturbed and discussed revoking the permit. Owner said that the work has stopped but they are concerned with the partially collapsed wall and unfinished driveway. They feel that these cause safety issues on the property. Gene Nazzaro discussed the collapsed area of wall and plans to repair it. The homeowners asked the Commission members to look at the unfinished driveway and collapsed wall to see if they would allow the owners to repair wall and finish driveway. Pat Del Monaco said she would go to the property with Tim Simpkins and look at both the driveway and the wall. Owner needs to submit a new application with a survey showing all work done and what owner still wants to do. The Commission said they would not revoke the permit this month, Pat Del Monaco and Tim Simpkins will go and visit site this week and see if the Commission will allow the wall and driveway work to be done while an application is submitted regarding the other issues. **Continued**

New Business

146 Ball Pond Rd, repair/replace stone seawall & planters, map 34, block 9, lot 2, Ricci. Dr. & Mrs. Ricci present. Per Tim Simpkins work was being done without a permit but now owners have submitted an application. The existing stonewall collapsed. Owners rebuilt the wall and added planters that bump out about 2 ½ feet towards the pond. Owners said they did not know they needed a permit. Commission members said they would go and visit the site. The wall work is not complete; the planters are approx. ¾ complete. Gerry Schwalbe made a motion to accept the application for review, 2nd by Jennifer Licht, all in favor. **Accepted & Continued**

26 Windmill Rd, repair seawall, map 10, block 1, lot 24-25, Schuerger. Mrs. Schuerger along with contractor Joe Choella, present. Repointing and repairing existing wall. Pat Del Monaco said if the Commission agrees she will go to site and handle administratively. Tom Quigley made a motion to accept the application for review, 2nd by Joan Archer, all in favor. **Accepted & Continued**

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Old Business

1 Ball Pond Rd East, Gillotti Wellfield Pump Station Improvements, Map 31 block 9 lot 2, Aquarion Water Co. of CT. Colleen Dougherty present representing the applicant. CL&P agreed to the revised pole location enabling them to eliminate the 2nd access driveway. Demo note revised as discussed @ last month's meeting. Tom Quigley made a motion to approve the application, 2nd by Jennifer Licht, all in favor. **Approved**

39 & 30 Ball Pond Rd East, patios, walkways, retaining walls, in-ground propane tank and generator with concrete slab, parking areas, vertical expansion of garage at 30 Ball Pond Rd East, Map 22, block 5 & 7, Lots 20 & 36.2, Becker. Owners Irv and Laura Becker present along with Tim Bigham. New drawings received and discussed, showing septic and proposed patio. Wall is 3 feet high, will be set with cement and have 18" crushed gravel footing. They will be taking down the old garage and rebuilding on the same footprint. They will be going before the zoning board on 1/22/15 because they want to add a second story onto the garage. When they demo the garage the debris will be removed from the property. The walkway will be stepping-stones; work will be done by hand. Cynthia Stevens, Chairman of the Ball Pond Advisory Committee questioned the propane tank. There is no potential for anything to leak into the lake since the propane is gas. Tom Quigley made a motion to approve the application, 2nd by Gerry Schwalbe, all in favor. **Approved**

33 Lavelle Ave, Replace/repair existing sea wall with steps down to water, Map 2, block 7, lot 17, Bouteiller, No owner present. **Continued**

54 Saw Mill Rd, sluiceway gate repair & pond restoration, map 24, block 1, lot 8+9, Ellsworth, owner/ Nazzaro Inc., agent. Gene Nazzaro present, representing the owner. Discussed sediment removal and restoration of the pond. Sluiceway repair discussed. The Commission asked for the following information:

- More information on the alternate forms of water control as discussed with aqua dam and pumps
- Info on temporary coffer dam as discussed
- Staging plan (sequence of construction)
- Dam and registry information

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63 Route 39, 2 lot subdivision, Map 19, block 13, lot 6.1, Fairchild. Dinaus Virbikaus and Bob Williams present, representing the owner. Subdivision of property, west parcel has approx. 3,400-3,600 sq ft of wetlands. Proposing a 2,400 square foot home. Distances of disturbance added to the drawings as requested. Patio is 33' from wetlands; home is 44' from wetlands. No wetlands impact per Mr. Virbikaus. Joan Archer made a motion to approve the application, 2nd by Gerry Schwalbe, all in favor. **Approved**

Correspondence

Letter from Town of Brookfield, re 156 North Lake Shore Drive, Brookfield, CT. **Previously discussed**

Stop Work Order Cease & Desist to Ms. Arpaia & Dr. Steward, 24 Sunset Dr. **Previously discussed**

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E-mail from Mr. Street, Attorney for First Light with copy of letter from Dr. Steward. **Previously discussed**

Additional information for 39 Ball Pond Rd East. **Previously discussed**

Administrative

Approve Meeting November 18, 2014 minutes. Tom Quigley made a motion to approve the 11-18-14 minutes, 2nd by Gerry Schwalbe, all in favor. **Approved**

Conservation issues for the Town of New Fairfield. **No discussion**

Adjournment Tom Quigley made a motion to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Gerry Schwalbe, all in favor. Meeting adjourned @ 9pm.