

Conservation/Inland Wetland Commission
Town of New Fairfield
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Special Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 15, 2014

New Fairfield Community Room (above the Senior Center) 33 Route 37
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, Tom Quigley, Gerry Schwalbe, Jennifer Licht, Joan Archer and EEO Tim Simpkins. The meeting minutes were taken by Lisa Zustovich.

Violation

6 Harbour View Dr, Clearing & cutting trees and brush without a permit, map 3, block 3, lot 27, Ruskin & Walton. Owners have submitted an application. **Deferred to New Business**

New Business

51 Bogus Hill Rd, repair failed retaining wall, map 11, block 2, lot 19, Scala. Owners present. Maps reviewed and discussed. Existing wall has collapsed per owner. Wall is above the 440 line, adjacent to the deck. Portions of the wall will be 8 ft. high, length approx. 80 ft. Property is steep. Length of wall and closest distance of the wall to the lake needs to be included on the map. Commission members also requested topography and photos of the area. Stockpile location needs to be included on map. Per owners, they are rebuilding the wall in the same location and it will be the same size as the wall they are replacing. Jennifer Licht made a motion to accept the application for review, 2nd by Gerry Schwalbe, all in favor. **Accepted & Continued**

6 Harbour View Dr, Wood chip path & remove dead trees, map 3, block 3, lot 27, Ruskin/owner Gallagher/agent. Mr. Ruskin present along with Ralph Gallagher. This was originally an NOV; owner was cutting trees and brush without a permit. Work is not complete. They have cut some trees but did not remove stumps. Some trees are dead. First Light also issued a NOV. Applicant has submitted an application with First Light as well. Maps and photos provided, reviewed and discussed. Commission told applicant it was ok to take down the 1 dead tree as requested, before next month's meeting but no other work is to be done. Joan Archer made a motion to accept the application for review, 2nd by Tom Quigley, all in favor. **Accepted & Continued**

Old Business

12 Overbrook Drive, Cutting Trees & also grading & filling in wetlands without a permit, map 43, block 1, lot 30, Murray. No owner present. **Continued**

45 Sail Harbour Drive, Remove diseased trees, replace dock & boat lift, replace steps to water, map 3, block 3, lot 6, Peel. Attorney Lisa Deldin present, representing the owner. Current dock has 3 anchors, new dock will have 6-7 anchors. Current dock is 58 feet. Applicant proposes 45 foot gangway with 20 foot dock. New dock will be a total of 65 feet. Path was flagged as requested. Septic and well will not be affected at all per Ms. Deldin. Applicant does not yet have new survey maps as requested. Applicant needs to have contours map information put on to survey map. No change to topography or grade. Path will be crushed stone. Boatlift will have 6 posts on bed of lake, do they need foots? Applicant needs to supply the following information to the Commission:

- How much fill will be used
- Specifics on erosion control material
- Sequence of construction
- Erosion controls shown on map
- Supply information on material to be used under the finished path
- Trees to be removed marked on survey
- Size of anchors blocks for dock
- Show dimensions of dock structure and boat lift on survey
- Supply information on footings for boatlift
- Contours of finished grade superimposed onto survey

The Commission is concerned with how the boat dock and lift will be installed and the amount of disturbance to the lakebed.

The Commission asked Ms. Deldin to have a rep. from the company constructed the path to come to the next meeting. **Continued**

Correspondence

Letter from First Light, re: violation for 69 Bogus Hill Rd.- Violation is due to vegetation being removed

Letter from First Light, re: violation for 6 Harbour View Dr. Previously discussed

Letter from First Light, re: violation for 24 Sunset Dr. Construction of an outdoor kitchen below the 440 without a permit. This applicant has an existing permit but this activity is not included in it.

Administrative

Approve Special Meeting June 18, 2014 minutes. Tom made a motion to approve the 6-18-14 meeting minutes, 2nd by Joan Archer, all in favor except for Jennifer Licht who abstained. **Approved** Conservation issues for the Town of New Fairfield. Tom Quigley said he attended a meeting regarding the milfoil issue in Candlewood Lake. Tom said the water quality is deteriorating, phosphorus in lake is continuing to increase. During the meeting they discussed ways to address this issue.

Adjournment

Jennifer Licht made a motion to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Joan Archer, all in favor. **Adjourned**