

Conservation/Inland Wetland Commission
Town of New Fairfield
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Meeting Minutes
Tuesday April 23, 2019
7:15 PM

Call to Order

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

Members in Attendance

Tom Quigley, Gerry Schwalbe, Christina McCarthy, Keith Landa, Joan Archer and Margaret DiTullio. Lisa Zustovich took the meeting minutes.

Violations

30 Sweetcake Mtn Rd, working in regulated area without a permit, map 19, block 7 lot 17-18, Carvajal. Owners present. Per Tom Quigley both he and Tim Simpkins went to the property. The owners are new owners of the property and didn't know that they couldn't put material in the wetlands. Owner will go to town hall to submit an application. **Continued**

New Business

22 Fleetwood Drive, repair stone wall, map 19, block 1, lot 1.39, Donohue. Owners present. Work is done. Owner put blocks to prevent erosion, no block/materials were put in the pond. Christina McCarthy made a motion to accept the application for review, 2nd by Margaret DiTullio, all in favor. **Accepted & Continued**

53 Bogus Hill Rd, ramp with retaining wall to lake, map 11, block2, lot 20, Nedu/owner, Carpenter/agent. No owner/rep present. Work was done about a year ago. Some work done below the 440. First Light is aware per Tom Quigley. Keith Landa made a motion to accept the application for review, 2nd by Gerry Schwalbe, all in favor. **Accepted & Continued**

40 Old Rd, Remove & relocate bulkhead (deck) above 440 line, gangway & dock, mape3, block 1. Lot 13.1, Sekelsky. Owner Michael Sekelsky present. Dock was damaged by a storm. Owner owns to the 430 line but First Light owns flood rights to the 440 line. Owner said First Light is making him take out the bulkhead and move it back 14 feet so that it is above the 440 line. Margaret DiTullio made a motion to accept the application for review, 2nd by Keith Landa, all in favor. **Accepted & Continued**

33 Lake Drive South, Dock below 440 line, map 20, block 4, lot 99+103-106, Rynkar/owner, Tunnard/agent. Jennifer Tunnard present, representing the owner. This is an empty lot, it is a steep slope to the water. Discussed how to access the area to install the dock. Ms. Tunnard said there are existing steps that go down thru the property to the lake which might not be easily visible due to overgrowth. The Commission asked to show path/steps on the map. Ms. Tunnard said they had a previously approved application over 5 years ago (which has expired). They have received a letter of filing consent from First Light. Keith made a motion to accept the application for administrative approval, 2nd by Margaret DiTullio, all in favor. **Accepted & Continued for Administrative Approval**

87 Lake Drive South, replace portion of house & repair septic system, map 25, block 1, lot 23, Kornfeld/owner, DiVesta/agent. Owner Eric Kornfeld present. Mr. Kornfeld said that they sustained

damage to the house and septic from the May 2018 storm. Septic damage was below the 440 line. First Light is requiring the owner to pull the septic back. Owner also needs to put in a retaining wall (approx. 3' tall) to accommodate the septic. Grading discussed and shown on map, area is relatively flat. Erosion control-silt fencing-shown. Commission asked for a sequence of construction. Keith Landa made a motion to accept the application for review, 2nd by Joan Archer, all in favor. **Accepted & Continued**

43 Sylvan Rd, addition on block foundation, map 25, block 2, lot 10, Xatart/owner, Reilly/agent. Joe Reilly, agent, present, representing the owner. Per Mr. Reilly there will be no excavation/disturbance because the area is all ledge. They will be pinning to ledge. Photos and maps were reviewed and discussed. Joan Archer made a motion to accept the application for review, 2nd by Margaret DiTullio, all in favor. **Accepted & Continued**

Joan Archer made a motion to amend the agenda under Old Business to include 24 Sunset Dr. for modification of permit, 2nd by Christina McCarthy, all in favor*

Old Business

213 Ball Pond Road, Rip-rap to prevent erosion and cleanout debris from stream, map 18, block 3, lot 19.3, Macchiaroli. Owner present. Owners want to remove rocks from the stream and armor the side of the stream with them to help prevent overflow of the water onto the driveway and into the house. Owner said this happens on days with heavy water flow. Length of stream to be armored is approx. 15 feet. Work would be done within 1-2 days. Keith Landa made a motion to approve the application with the following stipulations: restoration to the riverbed would be done to the area indicated on the maps for a length of 15 feet, gabions to be at a depth of no more than 2 feet, armored by small boulders from the stream and the gabions are not to be put into the river bed, 2nd by Joan Archer, all in favor. **Approved with stipulations**

118 Lake Drive So, addition and deck, map 25, block 1, lot 50, 118 Lake Dr. So. LLC/Chila. Owners Steve and Tiffany Chila present along with Steve Sullivan, engineer. Zoning granted a variance for the addition to the house. New maps with storm water management plan provided. Impervious coverage reduced. Plan includes added rain gardens and they will have rain barrels (approx. 50 gallons) for garage roof and house drainage. Work will be done by hand. Foundation will be block and poured slab (pumped in). All proposed work is above the 440 line. Erosion controls and stock pile area (if needed) shown on maps. Christina McCartney made a motion to approve the application, 2nd by Gerry Schwalbe, all in favor. **Approved**

24 Sunset Drive, Modification of permit #IW-18-028, Map 11, Block 2, Lot 9, Steward/owner, Adams/agent. Abigail Adams present, representing the owner. There is a pipe that was draining to the lake that is cut. This needs to be addressed per First Light. Discussed installing a manhole and rip rap to correct the issue, they have received the OK from First Light. Christina McCartney made a motion to approve the modification to wetlands permit #IW-18-028 with the stipulation that the owner maintains the manhole, 2nd by Keith Landa, all in favor, **Approved with stipulations**

Correspondence

22 lake Drive So, Schwam, additional information on details of retaining wall. **No discussion**

Administrative

Discuss revision of regulations. Commission members will meet again next week to discuss revisions.

Approve Meeting March 19, 2019 minutes. Joan Archer made a motion to approve the 3-19-19 meeting minutes, 2nd by Keith Landa, all in favor except Margaret DiTullion and Christina McCartney who both abstained. **Approved**

Conservation issues for the Town of New Fairfield. No discussion

Adjournment Gerry Schwalbe made a motion to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Christina McCartney, all in favor, **Adjourned @ 8:40pm**