

Conservation/Inland Wetland Commission
Town of New Fairfield
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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday April 21, 2020 7:00 PM
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Paul Gouviea hosted the meeting via zoom. He gave online meetings instructions and stated that the meeting would be posted to the Town's website.

Call to Order

Tom Quigley called the meeting of the Conservation/Inland Wetland meeting to order at 7:05pm.

Members in Attendance

Tom Quigley, Jerry Schwalbe, Christina McCartney, Keith Landa, Carolyn Rowan, Margaret DiTullio and EEO Tim Simpkins. Lisa Zustovich took the meeting minutes.

Violations

None

New Business

18 Karen Dr, upgrade treatment system & replacement of well station. Map 23, block 18, lot 15, Aquarion Water Co. Zachary Kuegler, Aquarion Water, present. Mr. Kuegler shared plans to rebuild the pump station on Karen Drive. They plan to install a new well station, new driveway, new standby generator and new plantings. Silt fencing discussed. The Commission needs to see erosion control and distance of disturbance to flagged wetlands shown on the maps. Jerry Schwalbe asked what the drain from the building was for. Mr. Kuegler stated that the drain was a floor drain for the pump station and for the small sink inside that they use for water sample testing. There is a chemical tank in the station which is contained. Tom Quigley asked if there was a chlorine analyzer, Mr. Kuegler said that there were two and that they recycle into the water system. Carolyn Rowan asked if there was an alarm system for spillage, Mr. Kuegler stated that yes, there was a flood switch on the floor of the building. Keith Landa asked about worst-case drainage scenario, Mr. Kuegler stated that would be a pipe breaking or someone needing to use the safety shower and that the system can handle 20-30 gallons a minute. Carolyn Rowan questioned where the wetlands on this site went, Mr. Kuegler and other Commission members stated that it runs to Ball Pond Brook. Keith Landa made a motion to accept the application for review, 2nd by Jerry Schwalbe, all in favor. **Accepted & Continued**

Old Business

2 Old Road, rebuild shed, temporary shed, deck and floating dock with bulkhead/catwalk, Richter. (Additional information in last month's packets). Nick Yuschak from CC Engineering present for the applicant. The Deck and shed will be on sonotubes. Work will be done while lake is drawn down. Revised site plans (drawing C1) with details of construction shared with Commission. Work will be done by hand; no trees will be removed. Christina McCartney made a motion to approve the application, 2nd by Carolyn Rowan, all in favor. **Approved**

16 Bogus Hill Rd, building & constructing masonry stone stairs, map 10, block 21, lot 1, Bogus Hill Association Inc. (Additional information in last month's packet). No owner/rep present. Tom Quigley spoke with members of the Bogus Hill Association and per Tom, they asked for a continuance. **Continued**

16 Windmill Road, map 10, block 1, lot 30, remove/replace existing driveway, retaining walls, walkways, stairs and patios, Johnson. (Information in this month's packet). Ken Johnson (owner's son) present. Per Tim Simpkins this was originally a notice of violation. Tim Simpkins and Tom Quigley visited the site, photos of site shared with the Commission. Survey reviewed. Tom said he accepted the application administratively. Ken Johnson said he is the son of the property owner Allen Johnson and that he has power of attorney. Mr. Johnson stated that he lives out of state and apologized for work starting without a permit. The house is vacant. Per Mr. Johnson the property is in disrepair, concrete is crumbling and the building is falling apart. Per Mr. Johnson the distance of disturbance to the lake is 37.42 feet. Erosion controls have not been used but silt fencing will be used when they can resume work. Discussed the retaining wall which is currently 5-6 feet high. The plan is to remove the wall and replace it with a 2 tier wall, each tier 3 feet in height. Details on wall, the foundation and wall construction needed. Mr. Johnson believes they will be using a small machine (Bobcat) to remove the wall but will confirm this for the Commission. Jerry Schwalbe questioned the amount of disturbance expected while doing this project. Mr. Johnson stated that since work has already started most of the disturbance has already occurred. Tim said he had visited the site and there has been no erosion since project was started. Tom Quigley questioned the wall construction. Per Mr. Johnson the current wall is crumbling/falling apart so they will be removing it then build the lower wall and fill behind it. There will be about 5 feet between the upper and lower tiers. Mr. Johnson was notified that the Commission needs to see the following information at the next meeting:

- Show erosion controls (silt fencing) on the maps
- Details on the wall (from engineer) with locations shown on the map
- Sequence of construction
- Stock pile location
- Distance of disturbance to the lake

Continued

50 Ball Pond Rd East, modification to existing permit for wall and ramp, Lisi. No owner/rep present. Tom Quigley has been to the site. Tom said they will build the wall (4ft high) then back fill and build a 4 ft wide walkway. Jerry Schwalbe has also been to the site and stated that he has no issue with the modification of permit. Jerry Schwalbe made a motion to approve the modification of permit, 2nd by Margaret DiTullio, all in favor. **Approved**

Correspondence

Additional information for 2 Old Road. (in last month's packet)- previously discussed

Additional information for 16 Bogus Hill Road. (in last month's packet)-received, application continued, will discuss next month

E-Mail from Sara Faust re: 16 Bogus Hill Rd. & Letter from The Kreinik re: 16 Bogus Hill Rd. – both received, application continued, will discuss both next month

Administrative

Approve Meeting February 25, 2020 minutes (in last month's packet) Keith Landa made a motion to approve the 2/25/20 minutes as written, 2nd by Margaret DiTullio, all in favor except Carolyn Rowan who abstain. **Approved**

March 17, 2020 Record of the Vote- members received a copy

Conservation issues for the Town of New Fairfield- no discussion

Adjournment Jerry Schwalbe made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Christina McCartney, all in favor. **Adjourned at 7:55pm**

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By: Holly Z. Smith, Asst. Town Clerk, New Fairfield