

MEETING MINUTES

Conservation Commission
March 23, 2023 6:30 PM
Waterford Town Hall
6:30 pm

Members Present: Matthew Keatley, Tali Maidelis, Rich Muckle,
Geneva Renegar, Wade Thomas
Members Absent: Dave Lersch
Alternates Present: Ivy Plis
Alternates Absent: Bud Bray
Staff Present: Maureen FitzGerald, Environmental Planner
Leanne Santos, Recording Secretary

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TESTE: David J. Keatley
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1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. I. Plis was seated for the vacant seat.

2. APPROVAL OF THE March 9, 2023 MEETING MINUTES

Motion: Motion made by M. Keatley, second by W. Thomas to approve the March 9, 2023 meeting minutes.

Vote: 5-0-1 (G. Renegar abstained)

G. Renegar recused herself for the deliberation of C-22-14, 109R & 131 Clark Lane

3. APPLICATION REVIEW

C-22-14, 109R & 131 Clark Lane, 47 Unit Residential Development, Leo J. & Mary P.T. Archambault, Trustees, Owner; Kingstown Properties, LLC, Applicant; David Held, P.E., L.S., Provost & Rovero, Inc., Agent-Review draft permit

Chairman R. Muckle asked commission members for any comments regarding the draft permit. W. Thomas and I. Plis commented the permit was well written.

Motion: Motion made by W. Thomas, second by I. Plis to approve the draft permit as written.

Vote: 5-0-0

G. Renegar returned to the Commission meeting.

C-22-15, 130R Great Neck Road, New construction single family home and outbuilding, Dan Russ, Owner; David Balfour, Applicant/Agent – Review draft permit

Motion: Motion made by W. Thomas, second by T. Maidelis to approve the draft permit as written.

Vote: 5-0-1 (G. Renegar abstained)

4. NEW APPLICATIONS

C-22-17, 109R Old Colchester Road, Pond Construction, Joseph Assard, Owner/Applicant

The applicant was not present. Staff gave an overview of the application requesting authorization to construct an earthen berm across an intermittent stream to create a pond. No excavation is proposed to create the pond. W. Thomas asked if the dam will be regulated by the State. Staff will review. W. Thomas commented he does not think a third party engineer review is necessary for this application, however he requested better detailed plans be provided for the dam construction and materials

stabilization to prevent failure of the dam and sedimentation of the stream. The application was accepted.

C-22-18, 93 Shore Road, Modification of Permit C-14-9 NE Line, Jose Espinosa Owner/Applicant

Staff informed the commission that this application was received within the statutory time frame for receipt at this scheduled meeting but after the agenda was posted. Staff reviewed the application which is for modification of a wetland non-encroachment boundary of a prior permit. The owner wishes to have more room around the southeast corner of the house to access the rear yard. Staff advised commission members it would be beneficial for at least one or two commission members to review the site with her. The application was accepted.

5. VIOLATIONS

407 Boston Post Road: Unauthorized Fill Within and Adjacent to Inland Wetlands & Watercourses

Corrective actions are due to be complete May 30, 2023.

47 Great Neck Road: Unauthorized Activity Within Inland Wetlands & Watercourses

Staff is working with the owner's agent on a site plan for an outdoor landscaping materials sales area and restoration of the cleared wetland and will have an update for the Commission at next scheduled meeting.

577 Vauxhall Street Extension: Unauthorized Activity Within Inland Wetlands & Watercourses

Staff has met with the property owner. Unauthorized fill activity extends along the edge of the lake onto to State property as well as City of New London property. The Owner has 45 days to prepare and submit a plan to the Commission showing the extent of activity and proposed restoration of affected wetlands.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Motion made by W. Thomas, second by M. Keatley to adjourn at 6:50 pm.

Vote: 6-0-0

Respectfully Submitted,



Leanne Santos
Recording Secretary