

Town of Washington
Inland Wetlands Commission
May 11, 2022
Regular Meeting
Hybrid – Zoom and Main Level Conference Room
MINUTES

Members Present: Mr. Papsin, Mr. Gendron, Ms. Audet, Ms. Bogue

Absent: Mr. Bennett, Mr. Koppel, Alt., Ms. Dubow, Alt.

Staff Present: Ms. White (via Zoom), Ms. Haverstock

Public Present: Mr. McTigue, P.E.,

Via Zoom: Mr. Conroy, Mr. Rotando, P.E., Mr. Rettenmeier, Mr. Nettleton, Ms. Zukauskas, Mr. Levande, Mr. Thacher

Regular Business

Mr. Papsin called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Members Seated: Mr. Papsin, Ms. Audet, Mr. Gendron, Ms. Bogue

Consideration of the Minutes (00:20)

4-27-2022 Regular Meeting Minutes:

Motion: To approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of 4-27-2022 as submitted, by Mr. Gendron, seconded by Ms. Audet, passed by 4-0 vote.

Motion to Include Subsequent Business Not Already Posted on the Agenda

None to add

Pending Applications

There were no pending applications

New Applications to be Received by the Commission

Town of Washington/108 New Milford Turnpike/ Application for Permit #IW-22-17 to mechanically remove invasive plants – Phragmites (1:02): The IWC accepted this application and scheduled a site inspection for Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. They will meet at 108 New Milford Turnpike.

Arthur H. Howland & Associates/217 West Shore Rd/Request to Modify Permit #IW-20-62 for construction of SFD, sports court, accessory structure, driveway, septic, drainage, grading (2:38): Mr. McTigue, P.E. of Arthur H. Howland was in attendance to represent the property owners for this application. He reviewed the changes made to the plan titled, "Proposed Site Development Plan," prepared for BCLC by Arthur H. Howland and Associates, sheet SD.1 with a revision date of 05-03-2022. Mr. McTigue noted that the full-size tennis court and large accessory building has been modified to a ½ size sports courts and a significantly smaller accessory building in revised locations. He explained the changes in grading, planting plan and driveway.

The IWC asked that Mr. McTigue provide a report detailing the method of invasive plant removal, location, tools, machinery, etc.

Mr. McTigue confirmed that there would be no disturbance to the tree with the eagle's nest.

The IWC accepted this application and scheduled a site inspection at the subject address for Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. They asked that the Limit of Disturbance, trees to be removed, and location of pocket wetlands all be marked in advance of the site inspection.

Nettleton/91 & 95 West Shore Rd/Application for Permit #IW-22-18 to construct driveway in the review area for SFD (12:45): Mr. Nettleton, property owner, Mr. Rotondo, P.E., and Mr. Rettenmeier, Landscape Architect were present for this application.

Mr. Rotondo shared the plan titled, "Site Improvements for Proposed Single Family Residence Site Plan," prepared for Pinnacle Peak by LandTech, sheet C-1, dated 05-03-2022. He indicated that the driveway plans have been sent to the Department of Transportation District Office for review. Mr. Rotondo stated that the proposed driveway, associated grading, drainage and proposed landscaping are within the 100' review area. He added that they are planning on installing a dock as well.

Mr. Rettenmeier, Landscape Architect, shared photographs of existing conditions of the subject property from West Shore Rd, and the drawings titled, "Planting Plan (100' Upland Review Area)" & "Landscape Details," prepared for 91/95 West Shore Rd by MDLA Landscape Architects, sheets 1-2 of 2, dated 5-3-22. He explained that the focus is to stabilize the slopes, using native plantings and pollinators, and to keep as much of the existing ledge where feasible.

It was noted that the applicant intended on including the proposed dock for this application. The IWC requested that the application be amended to add the dock and that plans and details of the dock and how it will be affixed to the shoreline must be submitted.

The IWC accepted this application and scheduled a site inspection for Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 4:15 p.m. The group will meet at the Tinker Road right-of-way access to the property. The Commission asked that the trees to be removed are marked on site and included on the site plan, to make sure that sufficient stockpile locations are indicated on the site plan, and the well and proposed driveway are staked before the site inspection.

The IWC accepted this application and scheduled a site inspection for Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at around 4:15/4:30. Site inspection participants will meet at the Tinker Hill Road right-of way to access the property.

Other Business:

Revisions to Section 15 of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations:

Mr. Papsin stated that the IWC will revisit after Ms. White has returned to the office.

Enforcement and Compliance Initiatives:

Ms. Haverstock reviewed her Enforcement Report with the IWC.

(attachment A)

Administrative Business:

Communications:

Adjournment:

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 7:39 pm, by Ms. Audet, passed by 4-0 vote

Respectfully submitted,



Shelley White
Land Use Administrator
5-13-2022

Link to recording of meeting:

https://townofwashingtoncc-my.sharepoint.com/:u:/g/personal/swhite_washingtonct_org/Eel20UF6D_ZPif066VBMGsQBHc3lr4oHh7cOOGid_w7FIQ?e=nHdwXY

Attachment A

Dated	Citation	Address	Notes
Monday April 11, 2022	2022-W004	46 Christian Street	Tree removal in URA /no permit
Friday, April 29, 2022	2022-W005	181 West Shore Road	Failure to maintain sediment and erosion control measures.
Date	Site Inspection	Notes	
Wednesday May 4, 2022	285 West Shore Road	Tree removal check	
Wednesday May 4, 2022	181/183 West Shore Road	Sediment and erosion control measures check / road maintenance	
Wednesday May 4, 2022	Drainage areas abutting roadways	Drainage check	
Wednesday May 4, 2022	Kent border property (329 West Shore Road)	Tree check - email to Kent requesting application/permit	
Wednesday May 4, 2022	323 West Shore Road	Shoreline work & maintenance	
Wednesday May 4, 2022	232 Old Litchfield Road	Abutting 9 Dark Entry Rd, cutting in URA? - letter to be sent to property owner	
Permit Date	Permit	Address	Notes
Wednesday May 11, 2022	IW-22-17	108 New Milford Turnpike	Mechanically remove phragmites in wetlands
Wednesday May 11, 2022	IW-22-18	91&95 West Shore Road	Construction driveway