

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION &  
INLAND WETLAND AGENCY MINUTES  
March 26, 2019**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Verel called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Ms. Cherichetti took the roll call.

**PRESENT:** John Verel, Chair; Karen Destefanis, Vice Chair; Ed Holowinko; Robert Mercurio;  
John Moeling

**III. RECEIPT & DISCUSSION**

There were no new applications to be received.

**IV. DISCUSSION AND/OR DECISION**

\*\*\* Ms. Destefanis recused herself from the next item and left the room.

- a) **#S18-523A – 216 Scribner Avenue – St. Matthew RC Church** – Modification of Permit #S18-523 to extend completion time for corrective action wetland restoration work from December 15, 2018 to July 15, 2019

Ms. Cherichetti recalled the application was received at the previous meeting. She noted the members present at the receipt did not voice concerns regarding the requested extension of time.

Mr. Verel asked the applicant's representative for additional information regarding the proposed new timeline. Mr. Carl Letcher explained he is the builder for the church's recreation center addition, which is in the process of being built. He stated he would assist in the removal of the fill too.

Mr. Verel asked why the wetland mitigation was delayed. Mr. Letcher acknowledged that he was not aware of the condition of a timeline in the permit. He explained that he needed time to work out an agreement with the entities that deposited the fill, because they are going to help remove the fill.

\*\*\* **MR. MOELING MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED CHANGE TO SPECIAL CONDITION #9 AND MODIFY THE DEADLINE TO READ '11 MONTHS'.**

\*\*\* **MR. MERCURIO SECONDED THE MOTION.**

\*\*\* **THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY (4 IN FAVOR).**

\*\*\* Ms. Destefanis returned to the meeting.

- b) **#S18-529 – 405 Rowayton Avenue – Vega** – Corrective Action work following filling and wall construction in and adjacent to a watercourse (Keelers Brook)

Ms. Cherichetti noted the application is a Significant Regulated Activity application that requires a public hearing. She discussed the statutory deadlines for the application. She added the application remains incomplete. The applicant had previously granted a four week extension of time and had granted an additional extension earlier today. Without an additional extension of time, the Agency must schedule a public hearing during their next meeting to commence at the April 30, 2019 meeting (commissioners later discussed that this hearing would be on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, the regularly scheduled date of an Agency meeting).

**V. PRELIMINARY REVIEW**

- a) **218 New Canaan Avenue** – Preliminary review of proposed new house construction in and adjacent to wetlands and watercourses

Ms. Cherichetti explained that there had been a permit application in 2017 to develop this lot, but the application for permit was denied. She noted the property owner was here tonight to get Agency feedback on his revised preliminary site plan. She distributed copies of site plans – one from the 2017 denial and one of the current proposal.

Ms. Destefanis asked about the wetland limit line on the east side of the property and Ms. Cherichetti confirmed the current site plan has the agreed upon limit which is Mr. Theall’s 2001 delineation.

Mr. Danen Grey described the changes that have been made to the site plan.

Mr. Moeling stated he felt the applicant was responsive to their earlier comments. Mr. Mercurio agreed. There were minimal other comments.

**VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a) March 12, 2019 meeting minutes

Ms. Destefanis suggested some corrections to the minutes.

**\*\*\* MR. MERCURIO MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES WITH THE PROPOSED ALTERATIONS.**

**\*\*\* MS. DESTEFANIS SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**\*\*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY (4 IN FAVOR, 1 ABSTENTION – VEREL).**

**VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were none.

**VIII. COMMENTS OF STAFF**

Ms. Cherichetti distributed a summary of permit application and enforcement actions initiated in the previous two weeks.

**IX. COMMENTS OF COMMISSIONERS**

There were none.

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

**\*\*\* MR. MERCURIO MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN.**

**\*\*\* MS. DESTEFANIS SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**\*\*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:00PM.