

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION &  
INLAND WETLAND AGENCY MINUTES  
August 13, 2019**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

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

**II. ROLL CALL**

Ms. Hrtanek took the roll call.

**PRESENT:** John Verel, Chair; Karen Destefanis; John Moeling; Steven Klocke; Lisa Shanahan; Cheryl Brown; Thomas Keegan

**III. RECEIPT & DISCUSSION**

**IV. DISCUSSION &/OR DECISION I**

- a) **#S19-538 – 14 Purdy Road - Arundartchuk** – Corrective Action landscaping in and adjacent to a wetland

Ms. Hrtanek stated that the applicant requested an extension of time and the application would be on the agenda at their next meeting on September 10. The application and plans were submitted and the Agency requested a better plan with more detail. Ms. Cherichetti met with the applicant and reviewed other applications to better prepare them for the Agency.

- b) **#S19-540 – 8 Holiday Drive - Kalmanidis** – Corrective Action landscaping and grading in and adjacent to a wetland and watercourse

Ms. Hrtanek explained that the applicant also requested an extension of time and the applicant would be on the September 10 agenda.

**V. ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS**

- a) **#V19-991 – 8 Leslie Lane – Kurche – *Show-Cause Hearing*** – Cease & Restore Order following degradation of a wetland and watercourse though unauthorized work in a wetland

Ms. Hrtanek noted her office had received a complaint regarding various unpermitted activities from a walker on the adjacent Lakota, formerly known as Dolce, property on 6 Leslie Lane. While at the site we noticed this property (8 Leslie Lane) had deposited woodchips within the wetland and the front wetland had been cleared of much vegetation.

Ms. Hrtanek explained that initially a Notice of Violation was sent to the property owner, however when they met with the owner's representative, he indicated he wanted an opportunity to come before the Agency because he did not believe his activities were in violation. She added that he did call the office earlier in the week to ask for the matter to be placed on the next following agenda in August. Ms. Hrtanek distributed photos and aerial photography of the property.

Mr. Kurche, the homeowner, spoke about the difficulty of getting the house built due to Ms. Christy Love. The wood chips he explained were put there because the water lines had sedimentation (stone dust) in them and it came into the house. The water company told them back when the house was built to put wood chips along the driveway to stop the sedimentation (stone dust) in the water lines. Mr. Kurche stated that there have been woodchips along the driveway for 24 years. He also stated that the woodchips are only an inch or two deep. Mr. Kurche stated that his garage started on fire 20 years ago and the Fire

Marshal told them to cut back the brush to avoid a major fire. Mr. Kurche passed out an aerial photograph for the Agency. He asked that the Agency withdraw the order.

Ms. Hrtanek reviewed and explained the aerial photography with the Agency and the applicant. Mr. Kurche stated that he has a different map and goes by that map not our GIS maps. Ms. Hrtanek showed the original map of wetland delineation from 10/6/1987, which should have been the map Mr. Kurche spoke of. She compared it to the GIS map and the wetland delineation was almost identical. Mr. Klocke asked if they felt that they had changed the wetland at all. The Kurches thought they didn't change it but wanted more grass. Ms. Destefanis had concerns about the water pipes with sedimentation and thought they should be concerned with bacteria also. Mr. Klocke stated that we are all in agreement that the Kurches are adding woodchips.

**\*\*\* MR. KLOCKE MADE A MOTION TO UPHOLD THE CEASE & RESTORE ORDER**

**\*\*\* MR. KEEGAN SECONDED THE MOTION.**

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

#### **IV. BOND RELEASES/REDUCTIONS**

- a) **#S05-236 – 7 Burlington Court – Hertiage Building Group, LLC** – Release of bond held (\$2,500.00) for demolition of existing and construction of new residence adjacent to wetland and watercourse.

Ms. Hrtanek explained that this bond release was an old one and we have been trying to find the original builder and have now succeeded.

The Agency reviewed and commented on the diligence of the staff to get the bond released.

**\*\*\* MR. KLOCKE MADE A MOTION TO RELEASE THE BOND OF \$2,500.**

**\*\*\* MR. KEEGAN SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**\*\*\* THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a) July 9, 2019 meeting minutes  
b) July 23, 2019 meeting minutes

**\*\*\* MR. MOELING MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE JULY 9, 2019 MINUTES WITH CORRECTIONS.**

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

**\*\*\* THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**\*\*\* MS. DESTEFANIS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE JULY 23, 2019 MINUTES WITH CORRECTIONS.**

**\*\*\* MR. MOELING SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**\*\*\* THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were none.

#### **VIII. COMMENTS OF STAFF**

Ms. Hrtanek had no comments

**IX. COMMENTS OF COMMISSIONERS**

Mr. Moeling thanked Ms. Hrtanek for doing a great job

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

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

**\*\*\* MR. KEEGAN SECONDED THE MOTION.**

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:56PM.