



**MEETING MINUTES**  
**HYBRID MEETING**  
**May 12, 2022**

**PRESENT:** Rick Stow (Chair), Miriam Sayegh (Vice Chair), Jeremi Bigosinski, Nick Lee, Penelope Koechl, Theodora Pinou

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mike Conklin, Director of Environmental Affairs; Abdelkrim & Arlene Allam, Property Owners; Patrick Davidson, Property Owner; Tom Quinn, Peak Engineers, LLC; Kate Throckmorton, Environmental Land Solutions, LLC

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Stow called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

**II. SHOW CAUSE HEARING**

**A. ALLAM – 271 Cannon Road** – unauthorized replacement of drainage pipe under the driveway and earthwork in a wetland

Mr. Conklin provided the background and timing of the violation. Mr. Allam explained the work he completed and noted his driveway was flooding due to a collapsed culvert. He stated his contractor replaced the 2 ft. culvert with a 3 ft. culvert in its place.

Mr. Lee MOVED to UPHOLD the Cease & Desist Order and require the Allams to submit a Significant Corrective Action Permit Application by noon on June 21, 2022, SECONDED by Ms. Sayegh and CARRIED 4-1-1 with Mr. Bigosinski opposed and Dr. Pinou abstained.

**III. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**A. WET#2781(S) DAVIDSON/MUELLER – 425 Ridgefield Road** – proposed construction of a single-family dwelling

Mr. Davidson noted a new plan was prepared. Mr. Quinn presented the new plan and Mr. Lee noted a typo on the plant list. A silt fence was added to impede surface water flow through the construction site.

Dr. Pinou asked Ms. Throckmorton about habitat and site visits to determine ponding and vernal pooling areas. Ms. Throckmorton confirmed no wetland dependent species would be present.

Mr. Conklin asked that the Hearing be held open to allow the Town Engineer time to review the responses from Peak Engineers.

Mr. Lee MOVED to HOLD OPEN the Public Hearing, SECONDED by Dr. Pinou and CARRIED 5-0-1 with Ms. Sayegh opposed.

**IV. APPLICATIONS TO BE REVIEWED - None**

**V. APPLICATIONS READY TO BE ACCEPTED**

- A. WET#2794(S) KULKE – 860 Ridgefield Road** – “corrective action” to address unauthorized clearing and earthwork in a wetland

Mr. Lee MOVED to ACCEPT WET#2794, SECONDED by Ms. Koechl and CARRIED 6-0-0.

**V. APPROVED MINOR ACTIVITIES**

- A. WET#2790(M) ELLIS – 213 New Canaan Road** – proposed relocation of two LP tanks 10 ft. and trench for line
- B. WET#2786(M) PILLAI – 38 Kingdom Ridge Road** – regrading a portion of wetland buffer and installation of stormwater discharge pipes

Mr. Conklin provided a brief description of the Minor Permits issued by Staff.

**VI. CORRESPONDENCE - None**

**VII. NEW BUSINESS – None**

**VIII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A. Meeting Minutes April 28, 2022**

Ms. Sayegh MOVED to APPROVE the Meeting Minutes of April 28, 2022 as drafted, SECONDED by Ms. Koechl and CARRIED 5-0-1 with Dr. Pinou abstained.

**IX. VIOLATIONS**

- A. ROBLES – 114 Thunder Lake Road** – unauthorized removal of eighteen (18) trees and placement of a concrete pad without a permit (Cease & Desist Upheld April 28, 2022 – Corrective Action Application due May 24, 2022)

**X. PUBLIC COMMENT – None**

## **XI. ADJOURN**

Ms. Sayegh MOVED to ADJOURN at 8:44 pm, SECONDED by Dr. Pinou and CARRIED 6-0-0 with all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Liz Larkin  
Recording Secretary, Environmental Affairs