



## MINUTES

July 25, 2019

**PRESENT:** Elizabeth Craig (Chair), Scott Fischer, Kathie Mandel, Rick Stow, Claudia Avallone

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mike Conklin, Director of Environmental Affairs; Liz Larkin, Recording Secretary; T.J. Bivona, Property Owner; Toan Nguyen; TDN Engineering, LLC; Brian Carstens, Neighbor; Karen & Patrick King, Property Owners

**ABSENT:** Nick Lee (notified of intended absence)

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mrs. Craig called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

### **IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**A. WET#2567 (S) BIVONA – 115 Pine Ridge Road** – “corrective action” to install an exterior subsurface pump and associated boulder riprap swale discharging to a road side ditch on Pine Ridge Road; to clean up existing culvert under the driveway, to remove the pavement on the driveway to widen on both sides and to cover with gravel, install a free form pool on existing deck, relocate a shed, and replace septic tank and pump chamber further away from the wetland (cont.)

Mr. Conklin confirmed new engineering plans were received and a mitigation planting plan. The Commission discussed the new information and asked for additional information for the next hearing.

Mr. Carstens, of 121 Pine Ridge, raised concerns about additional water flow being sent to his property and wanted confirmation that the engineering is appropriate. Mr. Toan stated several times that in his professional opinion, the engineering is sound and will not negatively affect the neighboring property.

Mr. Conklin advised this August 8, 2019 meeting will be the last meeting as statutorily the Applicant has run out of time.

Ms. Mandel MOVED to CONTINUE the Public Hearing until August 8, 2019, SECONDED by

Ms. Avallone and CARRIED 5-0-0.

**V. APPLICATIONS READY TO BE REVIEWED**

**A. WET#2583(I) KING – 221 Linden Tree Road** – reconstruction of an existing drain under the driveway

Mr. and Mrs. King described the need for the repair of the aging curtain drain. The driveway is being shifted away from the wetlands and with a portion of the driveway altered from asphalt to gravel which reduces the impervious coverage.

Mr. Fischer MOVED to APPROVE WET#2583 with the normal Special Conditions, SECONDED by Ms. Avallone and CARRIED 5-0-0.

**B. WET#2585(I) COTTON – 596 Nod Hill Road** – “emergency” septic tank replacement 70 ft. from wetlands

Mr. Conklin advised an emergency permit was issued and the tank has been replaced with appropriate soil and erosion measures in place at the request of South Norwalk Electric & Water.

Mr. Stow MOVED to APPROVE WET#2585, SECONDED by Mr. Fischer and CARRIED 5-0-0.

**VI. APPLICATIONS TO BE ACCEPTED**

**A. WET#2589(I) MOODY – 86 Stonebridge Road** – proposed addition within 25 ft. of a wetland, and a B100a

Ms. Avallone MOVED to ACCEPT WET#2589, SECONDED by Mr. Stow and CARRIED 5-0-0.

**VII. APPROVED MINOR ACTIVITIES**

**A. WET#2588(M) TULLY – 20 Ambler Lane** – proposed 500 gallon underground propane tank and generator approximately 40 ft. from an intermittent watercourse

Mr. Conklin provided a brief description of the Minor Application that was approved by staff.

**II. CORRESPONDENCE - None**

**III. OTHER APPROPRIATE BUSINESS – None**

**IV. VIOLATIONS - None**

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 11, 2019 Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Stow MOVED to APPROVE the July 11, 2019 Meeting Minutes as drafted, SECONDED by Mr. Fischer, and CARRIED 4-0-1 with Ms. Mandel abstained as she was not present.

## **VI. ADJOURN**

Mr. Stow MOVED to ADJOURN at 8:27 pm, SECONDED by Mr. Fischer and CARRIED 5-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Liz Larkin  
Recording Secretary, Environmental Affairs