

INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION

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MINUTES
MARCH 7, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: The Chair called the videoconference meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Richard Girouard Vice-Chairman John Lauria
Secretary Carmine DeFeo Gregory Csernica
Robert Ferrigno David Verespy

ABSENT: Tony Silber

ALSO

PRESENT: Tatiana Solovey, Assistant Town Engineer; Jim Bova, Civil Engineer; John Mayer, Civil Engineer,
Town Attorney James Cordone

For the record Attorney Cordone provided an overview for hosting IWWC meeting via zoom teleconferencing and the procedures to be followed.

NEW BUSINESS OPENED at 7:03 pm

Application 23-05 37 Canterbury Associates LLC

Permit approval to remove seven dead trees, drainage, site improvements, replace walkways, wall, driveway and a fence within a regulated area at 46 Dalecot Drive.

Attorney Chris Russo presented the application on behalf of the owner. The home was purchased in September 2022 and was significantly blighted with overgrown brush and debris. They removed the debris and 7 dead trees. One side of the property has a drainage ditch which is not wetlands. The owner received a notice of violation from the Town for the trees that were removed. The homeowner stopped work immediately and put up silt fencing. The plan is to add plantings on both sides of the ditch and seed with wetlands seed; add drainage; add cultx near driveway; replace retaining wall and walkway and add ornamental trees. The Commission and Town staff requested the following additional info and clarification:

Recommended soil testing for stormwater system; previously removed trees should be shown on the plan; was topsoil brought in for lawn area; any regrading to be done and if so should be shown on the plan; native species are preferred along drainage; the purpose of the proposed concrete pad; and the size of the trees that were removed.

Application 23-06

Nathan & Elizabeth Curulla

Permit approval to remediate tree removal, plantings, garage addition and fire pit removal within a regulated area at 53 Red Barn Road.

John McCarthy, construction management consultant presented the application on behalf of the owner. The plan is for a small addition and to remediate the 7-8 trees that were removed being unaware of the wetlands setback area. The small addition will be 443 sq ft with small increase in impervious area. The garage will be extended 11 feet. An extra additional storage area is proposed. The fire pit will be removed and area replanted with grass. The Commission and Town staff requested that the number of trees be added next to the description. The exact count of stumps should be noted on the plan. The date of previously wetlands flagging should be added to the plan. The applicant is not proposing any work to be done on the right side of the property. Trees on that side did fall down and the Commission suggested that the downed trees be added to the application.

Application 23-07

Trumbull Center LLC

Permit approval to demolish existing brick building, build a new mixed residential and commercial building, and regrading within a regulated area at 900 White Plains Road.

Attorney Chris Russo presented the application on behalf of the owner. The plan is for a commercial & residential building. It will be a 5 story building going over the existing impervious area. Improvements will be made to the parking area. The building in front on White Plains Road will come down. There will be extensive plantings and it will be a tremendous improvement to the property. The Commission noted they see no improvement with the stormwater run off problem there. The IWWC Agent seconded that comment and mentioned the following: there is no improvement to the stormwater; MS4 must be addressed; no survey has been provided; demo plan lacks data; a detailed survey is needed by a licensed surveyor; proposed building is in a floodway and is currently being reviewed; stockpile is shown in floodway and should be revised; benches and tables need anchoring details; where will the snow storage be; the proposed height of the building will cause shade and a cross section needs to be provided. The Commission expressed their concerns regarding the elevation change, curb cutting, paving over grass area. They requested analysis to be done as to existing and proposed; clarify water being handled and directed; increase access to the river; more native trees and shrubs; compare sq ft coverage within floodway and 100 ft setback.

MOTION (Verespy) SECONDED (Lauria) to MOVE to a PUBLIC HEARING due to great public interest.
VOTE to MOVE TO PUBLIC HEARING CARRIED unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS CLOSED at 8:21 pm

OLD BUSINESS

No OLD Business

MINUTES

By unanimous consent the Commission VOTED to ACCEPT the meeting minutes of December 6, 2022

SCHEDULE FIELD INSPECTION(S)- Tuesday, March 21, 2023 beginning at 3:00 pm

Application 23-05	37 Canterbury Associates LLC	46 Dalecot Drive	_____
Application 23-06	Nathan & Elizabeth Curulla	53 Red Barn Road	
Application 23-07	Trumbull Center LLC	900 White Plains Road	

Attorney Cordone informed the Commission that appeals were received for the 2 West Mischa Road prior applications and the process is beginning.

By unanimous consent the Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Commission adjourned at 8:27 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Colleen Lombardo, Clerk