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MINUTES
JULY 7, 2026

CALL TO ORDER: The Chair called the videoconference meeting to order at 7:11 pm

PRESENT:	Chairman Richard Girouard	Secretary Greg Csernica
	Vice-Chairman John Lauria	Carmine DeFeo
	Robert Ferrigno-joined at 7:14 pm	Richard Deecken

ABSENT: David Verespy

ALSO PRESENT: John Mayer, Civil Engineer, Town Attorney James Cordone, Tatiana Solovey, Assistant Town Engineer

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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 7:14 pm
Agenda was taken out of order as follows:

Application 26-22	Hurd Realty LLC	Permit approval to comply with IWWC Site Specific Conditions 3.1 through 3.5 of previously approved IWWC Permit 25-09 within a regulated area at 4 Sycamore Street. Application also addresses the proposed 1-foot thick environmental cap. The cap will be 18 inches in areas where shrubbery or trees are required. No site disturbance beyond what is necessary to complete the engineering evaluations, safety improvements, planting requirements, environmental cap and any corrective measures specifically required by the Commission or Town Engineering Dept
Application 25-10	Emilia Ferri	Permit approval to legalize existing improvements for retaining wall location, topographic contour changes, proposed underground infiltration system location and

		new rear deck within a regulated area at 6 Sycamore Street. Modification of Application 21-07.
Application 25-11	Emilia Ferri	Permit approval to legalize proposed retaining wall location, relocate scour hole location and encroachment of limit of disturbance within a regulated area at Lot 321 Sycamore Street. pursuant to the prior approval.

Attorney Cordone informed the Commission that the 3 applications (26-22; 25-10 & 2-11) should be considered together. Also, that the Applicants attorney sent an email requesting that the applications be continued to the September 1, 2026 meeting; waiving all statutory time limits.
MOTION (Csernica) SECONDED (DeFeo) to CONTINUE Applications 26-22; 25-10; 25-11 to the September 1, 2026 meeting.
VOTE to CONTINUE CARRIED (4 FOR/1 ABSTAINED-Lauria/1 AGAINST-Deecken)

IWWC Agent Tatiana Solovey recused herself from hearing application due to the proximity to her home.

Application 26-21	Jenifer Vero	Permit approval to remove existing deck & construct 2 story addition at rear of property within a regulated area at 130 Whitney Ave.

Darren Owen, EO Associates, LLC presented the Commission an overview of the proposed project. Almost the entire property is in the regulated area. There will be approximately 3,410 sq ft of disturbance in the regulated area. None in the wetlands. Silt fencing will be installed within the limits of disturbance; a anti tracking pad will be used, and the stockpile area will be stabilized. Contractors will use the driveway for parking. The construction will be done in phases. The Commission noted that there is not much of a buffer for machinery for the work. Mr. Owen said a mini excavator will be used and there is sufficient room. Jenifer Vero, homeowner, addressed the question of what appeared to be trees on property line and if they would be removed. She said what they are seeing is overgrown shrubs and not trees and they would be cut back. She also said the storage that is being proposed under addition is for outdoor furniture and toys. No hazardous material will be stored there. The Commission requested a stake where the stockpile will be located.

IWWC Agent Tatiana Solovey rejoined the meeting.

Application 26-20	Christopher Dortenzio	Permit approval for a new single family Residence within a regulated area at Parcel 38 Pinewood Trail Lot 70.

Sean Walters, landscape architect presented a native planting plan for the project. Wayne D'Avanzo, PE said this is currently a vacant lot and the project is for a single family residence. All runoff will be routed to a detention system. Runoff will be reduced. Approximately 14 trees will be removed. The Commission requested the proposed building be staked out and requested a letter from the homeowner providing their consent for applicant to apply for IWWC permit.
MOTION (Csernica) SECONDED (Deecken) to MOVE to a PUBLIC HEARING due to public interest.
VOTE to MOVE to PUBLIC HEARING CARRIED unanimously
NEW BUSINESS CLOSED at 8:17 pm

OLD BUSINESS OPENED at 8:17 pm

Application 26-11	Madison Properties LLC	Permit approval to construct an 8,500 sq ft mixed use building and it appurtenances; including construction of portion of building, driveway, parking, sidewalks, retaining walls drainage, underground utilities and landscaping within a regulated area at 855 and 861 White Plains Road.

MOTION (Csernica) SECONDED (Deecken) to APPROVE with the following conditions:
IWWC General Conditions Section I 1.1 through 1.10 and Section III Additional Conditions
3.1 Per the Conditions from the entire Engineering Letter dated 4/17/2026, reinforcing specifically the Bond and Site Monitor conditions.
3.2 Applicant approved to clear any downed trees, debris, and any invasives from the watercourse channel near the culvert during the construction period for this application.
VOTE to APPROVE CARRIED unanimously

Modification of

Application 26-02	Joseph Juliano	Permit approval for larger patio/paver area, outdoor kitchen, pergola structure, boxwood plantings and retaining wall within a regulated area at 17 Apple Gate Lane.

MOTION (Csernica) SECONDED (Ferrigno) to APPROVE with the following conditions:
IWWC General Conditions Section I 1.1 through 1.10 and Section III Additional Conditions
3.1 With the same Conditions from the original Application 26-02 IWWC approved Permit Conditions – this application is a Modification to the original Application 26-02.
VOTE to APPROVE CARRIED unanimously
OLD BUSINESS CLOSED at 8:45 pm

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By unanimous consent the Commission VOTED to ACCEPT the meeting minutes of June 2, 2026

SCHEDULE FIELD INSPECTION(S)-Tuesday, August 4, 2026 beginning at 3:00 pm

Application 26-20	Christopher Dortenzio	Parcel 38 Pinewood Trail Lot 70
Application 26-21	Jenifer Vero	130 Whitney Ave

P&Z update provided by Commissioner Deecken. A text amendment in regards to mixed use options states that commercial must be on 1st floor with residential above.

In regard to discussing the Act Concerning Riparian Areas Bill #5334 that was forwarded to the Commission for review has been tabled. Attorney Cordone will provide the final bill that was passed.

By unanimous consent the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Colleen Lombardo, Clerk