

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BOARD  
CITY OF STAMFORD  
February 21, 2008**

**Present:** Louis Levine, Chairman; Barbara Hicks, Member; Gary Stone, Member; William Morris, Member; Larry Barron.

**Also present:** David M. Emerson, Director; Richard Talamelli, Environmental Planner.

The regular meeting convened at 7:30 P.M. and adjourned at 9:15 P. M. and was tape recorded.

**MINUTES:**

Mr. Stone made the motion to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2008 meeting as presented.

The Board members voted on the motion as follows:

APPROVAL – YES – Ms. Hicks, Mr. Levine, Mr. Stone, Mr. Barron.

ABSTAIN – Mr. Morris.

**APPLICATIONS & PERMITS:**

**#2725 – Dzamba Grove – Lot 20, W. Welch.**

The applicant is proposing to maintain a stone retaining wall within and proximate to wetlands, watercourse, and designated flood hazard areas on property within the non-drinking water supply watershed of the Rippowam River at 32 Dzamba Grove.

**In attendance were:** Keith Wilberg, P.E., Soundview Engineers (project engineer); Whitney Welch (owner/applicant).

Mr. Wilbern summarized the application for the Board, and addressed a list of concerns identified by neighboring property owners. He presented his findings, confirmed by the Engineering Bureau, that the proposed work would have no impact on flooding conditions, drainage, or adjoining properties. He noted that all of the work would take place within the Welch property, and that a Zoning permit would be obtained as required for the wall construction.

**Motion By:** Ms. Hicks made the motion to adopt the findings and recommendations of staff and to approve the application with the conditions listed in the Agenda Summary Report dated February 16, 2008.

The Board members voted on the motion as follows:

APPROVAL – YES –, Mr. Morris, Mr. Levine, Mr. Stone, Ms. Hicks, Mr. Barron.

**The Board acknowledged receipt of letters granting extensions of time for reaching a decision from the following applicants:**

**#2732 – Four Brooks Road – Lot B6, J. Cazan.**

The applicant is proposing to construct residential additions and septic improvements proximate to wetland areas property within the non-drinking water supply watershed of the Rippowam River at 111 Four Brooks Road. (Letter – February 7, 2008.)

**#2735 – Rockridge Lane – Lot 12, M. Osevsii.**

The applicant is proposing to construct residential additions and associated drainage improvements proximate to wetland areas on property within the non-drinking water supply watershed of the Rippowam River at 41 Rockridge Lane. (Letter – February 13, 2008.)

**#2736 – Blackwood Lane – Lot 2, L. Salamone.**

The applicant is proposing to install fencing for the keeping of a horse proximate to wetland areas property within the non-drinking water supply watershed of the Haviland Brook at 165 Blackwood Lane. (Letter – February 13, 2008.)

**#2738 – Intervale Road Sewer Project #CP6584, Stamford WPCA.**

The applicant is proposing to install sanitary sewers and drainage improvements within and proximate to wetlands and watercourses on properties within the non-drinking water supply watershed of the Rippowam River on and near Intervale Road, Gaxton Road, Norvel Lane, and Shadow Lane. (Letter – February 11, 2008.)

**#2740 – Fox Glen Drive – Lot 11, L. Gjuraj.**

The applicant is proposing to maintain an existing shed and driveway/access within a designated Conservation Area on property within the drinking water supply watershed of the Mianus River at 56 Fox Glen Drive. (Letter – January 16, 2008.)

**#2743 – Crestwood Drive – Lot 21, P. Amaya.**

The applicant is proposing to construct a wall with associated filling within designated flood hazard areas, and within and proximate to wetlands and watercourse on property within the non-drinking water supply watershed of the Toilsome Brook at 86 Crestwood Drive. (Letter – February 21, 2008.)

**#2742 – Washington Boulevard – Lot 8, S. Staiano.**

The applicant is proposing to construct a wood landing and stairs onto an existing commercial building within designated flood hazard areas on property within the non-drinking water supply watershed of the Rippowam River at 1033 Washington Boulevard.

**In attendance were:** George Terrenzio, Washington Boulevard Associates, LLC. (project general contractor); Stefano Staiano (applicant).

Mr. Talamelli summarized the proposal for the Board. He noted that the stairway and landing were needed to comply with secondary egress requirements. Mr. Talamelli reported that all pertinent design, flooding and drainage impacts, and emergency preparedness issues had been addressed with confirmation received from the Engineering Bureau..

**#2742 – Washington Boulevard – Lot 8, S. Staiano (Cont.).**

**Motion By:** Mr. Stone made the motion to adopt the findings and recommendations of staff and to approve the application with the conditions listed in the Agenda Summary Report dated February 16, 2008.

The Board members voted on the motion as follows:

APPROVAL – YES –, Mr. Morris, Mr. Levine, Mr. Stone, Ms. Hicks, Mr. Barron.

**The Board acknowledged receipt of the following new applications filed in a timely manner with all of the required minimum information.**

**#2804 – Echo Hill Drive – Lot 9, P. Gass.**

The applicant is proposing to construct an Inground swimming pool and associated appurtenances and site work proximate to wetland areas on property within the drinking water supply watershed of the Mianus River at 133 Echo Hill Road.

**#2805 – Cherry Hill Road – Lot 2, S. Caputo.**

The applicant is proposing to construct a new single-family home and appurtenances proximate to wetlands and watercourses on property within the drinking water supply watershed of the Mianus River at 108 Cherry Hill Road.

**Motion By:** Mr. Stone made the motion to accept the applications based upon the determination that all required minimum information had been received.

The Board members voted on the motion as follows:

APPROVAL – YES –, Mr. Morris, Mr. Levine, Mr. Stone, Ms. Hicks, Mr. Barron.

**ENFORCEMENT:**

Status Reports --

**143 Belltown Road – Lot 9, J. Milewski (owner).**

For the conducting of regulated activities (construction, alteration, deposition of materials) without the required permits from the Environmental Protection Board including the use of buffer/setback areas as a contractors' storage yard with structures, equipment, materials, and debris scattered and dumped within the rear half of the site.

**In attendance was:** No one was in attendance concerning this matter.

Mr. Emerson reported that Michael Cantore, Esq., representing the respondent, had provided correspondence indicating that work to clean the site would begin expeditiously.

**Motion By:** Mr. Stone made the motion to maintain the cease and desist order in effect and modified to defer referral to Corporation Counsel for legal action pending a report on the status of the site at the March 13<sup>th</sup> meeting..

The Board members voted on the motion as follows:

APPROVAL – YES –, Mr. Morris, Mr. Levine, Mr. Stone, Ms. Hicks, Mr. Barron.

Status Reports (Cont.) --

**8 Court Street – Lot 7, J. Capone.**

The cutting and clearing of vegetation, deposition of gravel, installation of storage containers, within and proximate to wetlands, watercourses, and designated flood-hazard areas on property within the non-drinking water supply watershed of the Rippowam River at 8 Court Street.

**In attendance was:** No one was in attendance concerning this matter.

Mr. Emerson reported that Joseph Capalbo, Esq., representing the respondent, had provided correspondence indicating that the required survey was almost completed and that barrels, tires, and plows would be removed from the site expeditiously.

**Motion By:** Ms. Hicks made the motion to maintain the cease and desist order in effect and modified to require immediate removal of barrels, tires, and debris with notice of violation to be filed on the Stamford land records. status of compliance to be reviewed at march 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

The members discussed the proposed operating budget for Fiscal Year 2008 – 2009.

**Motion By:** Mr. Stone made the motion to endorse the proposed budget as presented.

The Board members voted on the motion as follows:

APPROVAL – YES –, Mr. Morris, Mr. Levine, Mr. Stone, Ms. Hicks, Mr. Barron.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

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Louis P. Levine, Chairman

Minutes prepared from meeting notes taken by David M. Emerson.