



## TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD Inland Wetlands Board

### APPROVED/REVISED MINUTES

September 09, 2021

Members present: Susan Baker, vice chair, Tim Bishop, David Tatge, Tracey Miller,

Members Absent: Patricia Sesto, chair, Alan Pilch, Kory Salomone, secretary

Also present: Andrew P. Hally, inland wetlands agent, Aarti Paranjape, office administrator;  
John Keegan, Ross Clark, Craig Studer, Ken Rosenfield.

#### I: Call to order

Ms. Baker called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

#### II: Applications for Discussion:

**1. (Contd.) IW-21-27, 21 Bryon Avenue**, Summary Ruling Application and after-the-fact Permit Need determination for a corrective action for a violation within upland review area of wetlands. *The applicant grated extension until September 23, 2021. 40 days used of 65-day extension. Owner: Jennifer Kubick. Applicant: Matthew Mason.*

<https://ridgefieldct.viewpointcloud.com/records/82194>

Board acknowledged the extension granted until September 23, 2021.

**2. IW-21-40, 206 West Mountain Road**, Summary Ruling application for hydro-dredging a pond. *Owner: Sally Budde. Applicant: Kate Throckmorton.*

<https://ridgefieldct.viewpointcloud.com/records/83013>

Mr. Keegan gave a preview of the application for the hydraulic dredging of pond at the property. He said approximately 325 cubic yards of material will be removed and stored in the bags. The project involves the maintenance and beatifying the pond. Buffer plantings is proposed.

Mr. Keegan added that Ms. Throckmorton has submitted the bog turtle survey as required, to State DEEP, and the signoff letter was received with no concerns by the State department.



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**Ms. Miller motioned to approve the Summary ruling application with general conditions. Mr. Bishop seconded. Motion carried 4-0-0.**

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**3. IW-21-41, 28 Sycamore Lane,** Summary Ruling application for addition and associated site work to existing residence in upland review area of the wetlands. *Owner: Michael & Cathy Hansum. Applicant: Cassie Voisine.*

<https://ridgefieldct.viewpointcloud.com/records/80126>

Mr. Clark presented the application stating the proposed addition is at the back of the home, which includes modifying the existing deck. The proposed work has minimal earth disturbance.

Ms. Baker expressed concerns that planting plans is not submitted. She confirmed if the applicant is proposing the pervious pavers.

Mr. Clark stated that approximately 650 square feet of pervious paver is added which will mitigate the impervious surface created as a result of the new addition.

Ms. Miller also expressed concerns of not submitting a planting plan and suggested that native plants should be proposed.

Discussion ensued and the Board agreed that the applicant submit a detailed planting plan of native planting and sediment and erosion control measures to be shown on the plan.

Discussion continued to September 23, 2021.

**4. IW-21-42, 282 Branchville Road,** Summary Ruling application for pool, barn and associated site work in upland review area of the wetlands. *Owner: Robert & Andrea Wolf Applicant: Kate Throckmorton.*

<https://ridgefieldct.viewpointcloud.com/records/83190>

Mr. Studer gave an overview of the application. The proposed work is in existing upland review area. The portion of existing patio will be removed which will incorporate the pool. One ornamental tree will be repositioned. The proposed barn is almost 56 feet away from the wetlands. The barn will hold smaller cars which will be driven across the lawn to access the parking in the barn. The planting includes almost 300 native plants. The 100-foot planting buffer area includes maples, under story flowering trees and native shrubs. The wood chips will be removed with this planting. The tiers will be planted with native plants.

The invasive nonnative plants will be removed.

Erosion measures includes double row of silt fence which will be installed around the west side of home along the wetland boundary and proposed work area covering 50 percent of the



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house. The septic tank is being relocated toward north of the property, however no changes to the existing leaching fields.

Ms. Miller inquired about the cultec recharge system on the east side of barn and asked if the roof leaders runoff from barn are collected in that system.

Mr. Studer confirmed the cultec system will pick the new impervious surface runoff. He proposes continuous trenches between the barn and pool which are heavy duty drain and can be driven over. He also proposes catch basins.

Mr. Studer stated that drawdown will be done in the winter months when the levels of chemical are low, and will be hard piped to the rechargers. He proposes a holding tank which gets cleaned up periodically. He addressed the concerns by SNEW (South Norwalk Electric and Water) stating that the pool equipment is on a small pad and approximately 75 feet away. Mr. Studer agreed to the extra planting suggested by Ms. Miller along the east side of the proposed planting.

The Board stated the following special conditions to be incorporated:

- More planting on the east side of the current planting in front of the Barn
- Heavy duty cultec drain system.

**Mr. Bishop motioned to approve the Summary Ruling application with standard and the two special conditions. Ms. Miller seconded. Motion carried 4-0-0.**

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### **III: Applications for Submission:**

**1. IW-21-43, 613 Ridgebury Road,** Summary Ruling application for addition to the existing accessory garage within the upland review area of the wetlands. *Owner: Richard Flood. Applicant: Brian Dean. For receipt and scheduling a sitewalk and discussion.*

<https://ridgefieldct.viewpointcloud.com/records/83549>

**2. IW-21-46, 10 Shadow Lake Road,** Summary Ruling application for addition and expansion to pool patio, replacement of driveway and associated site work within the upland review area of the wetlands. *Owner: Peter Paulos Jr. Applicant: Patrick Shurr. For receipt and scheduling a sitewalk and discussion.*

<https://ridgefieldct.viewpointcloud.com/records/83396>



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**3. IW-21-47, 6 Millers Lane,** Summary Ruling application for addition of decks, placement of hottub, redevelopment of outdoor living area and associated site work within the upland review area of the wetlands. *Owner: John & Margaret Pappadoulis. Applicant: James DeLalla. For receipt and scheduling a sitewalk and discussion.*  
<https://ridgefieldct.viewpointcloud.com/records/83659>

**Mr. Tatge motioned to receive the above three applications, Mr. Bishop seconded. Motion carried 4-0-0.**

**Sitewalk scheduled is for September 19 and discussion on September 23, 2021.**

#### **IV: Administrative Approvals:**

**1. IW-21-44, 41 Craigmoor Road South,** Administrative approval of deck expansion within the upland review area. *Owner/Applicant: David Harvey*

Mr. Hally gave an overview of application stating that the proposed activity involves seven new cement footings. All the work is contained within the existing stone wall, which separates the wetlands. Proposed activity has very low impact to the wetlands.

**Mr. Tatge motioned to approve the administrative application. Ms. Miller seconded. Motion carried 4-0-0.**

#### **V. Ongoing Enforcement by Agent:**

- **33 Beaver Brook Road** - Cease and Correct Order – Show Cause Hearing, *Michael & Christine Caramadre*

Mr. Hally informed that the notice of violation was sent by the Board's Legal Counsel. Mr. Caramadre has a deadline of September 30, 2021 to submit a corrective application.

- **799 North Salem Road,** Peter Moritz.

Mr. Hally stated the homeowner's daughter has few roadblocks due to health reasons. She will be submitting the application soon.

- **104 Haviland Road;** Ken Rosenfield & Jill Kerpcher.

Mr. Hally informed that the homeowner is waiting for the soil scientist report, so that they can submit the corrective application. Mr. Rosenfield informed that he has a soil report but was unavailable to submit online.



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Mr. Hally stated that he will assist with the submission of the application and the homeowner can contact him during office hours.

- **25 Hessian Drive;** Joseph & Patricia Shea.

Mr. Hally informed that Mr. Jewell is representing the client. Ms. Throckmorton is also assisting the homeowner. The application will be submitted soon.

- **34 Rustic Road;** Felicia Clem.

Mr. Hally informed that Mr. Jewell submitted paperwork regarding the ownership and Deeds, which he forwarded to the Conservation Commission's Counsel Mr. Grogins. After reviewing the Conservation Commission if gives permission to homeowner to build a dock on the open space, Mr. Jewell will then submit a permit for the dock to the Board.

- **66 Keeler Drive;** Alexandre & Vanderleia Suter

Mr. Hally informed that the homeowner is ready to submit an application. He inquired the Board if the applicant will be required to submit a wetlands delineation to further define the wetlands. The homeowner deposited the fill far from the upland in the depression area. The homeowner is hiring a landscape architect to restore the area. Mr. Hally suggested that the homeowner can submit a robust planting plan for mitigation and clear demarcation of wetlands. Board agreed that at this stage wetlands delineation is not required and homeowner should submit the corrective action application.

#### **VI: Other Business:**

No new business.

#### **VII: Approval of Minutes:**

**Inland Wetlands Meeting – August 26, 2021**

**Mr. Bishop motioned, and Mr. Tatge seconded to approve the minutes as submitted. Motion carried 4-0-0.**



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**Sitewalk Meeting- September 05, 2021**

**Mr. Bishop motioned, and Ms. Miller seconded to approve the minutes as amended.**

**Motion carried 4-0-0.**

#### **VIII. Adjourn**

Hearing no further discussion, Ms. Baker adjourned the meeting at 7:57 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

Aarti Paranjape  
Recording Secretary