

APPROVED 9-27-23
TOWN OF NORTH HAVEN, CONNECTICUT
MINUTES
Inland Wetlands Commission

Minutes of the Inland Wetlands Commission meeting held on Wednesday, July 26, 2023, at the Mildred A. Wakeley Community and Recreation Center, 7 Linsley Street, in Room 2 at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Frank H. Bumsted, Chairman
Joseph L. Tenedine, Secretary
James Lorusso, Jr.
John R. Whitcomb
Pamela Sletten, Alternate

ABSENT MEMBERS:

Steven Miller, Vice Chairman
Cheryl A. Juniewicz
Anna Garsten
James Thompson, Alternate

TOWN STAFF:

Alan Fredricksen, Land Use Administrator
Leslie Carney, Clerk
Genevieve Bertolini, Stenographer

AGENDA:

Mr. Bumsted, Chairman called the meeting of the Inland Wetlands Commission to order at 6:59 PM and introduced the Commission and town staff. Then, Mr. Bumsted asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Mr. Fredricksen stated that there were none.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Mr. Tenedine, Secretary, read the call for the Public Hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING:

1. #I23-08 Application of The Slate School, Inc, Applicant & Owner, relative to 5100 Ridge Road, (Map 97, Lot 2), seeking a Site Plan Referral. Plan Entitled: Proposed Parking Plan, 5100 Ridge Road, North Haven, Connecticut. Prepared by: SLR International Corporation. Dated: June 5, 2023. Scale: 1"= 20'. R-40 Zoning District.

Ms. Rana Bates, Facilities Manager with The Slate School presented the application to permit the change of use from a Church to an Auditorium along with parking lot restriping. The school will be going forward with a Special Permit Application with the P&Z Commission on August 7, 2023 if approved by the Inland Wetlands Commission. The proposed auditorium would be for the community to schedule and hold events. It will not be for exclusive use by The Slate School.

An updated letter dated July 26, 2023 from Megan Raymond, Principal Scientist, Wetland and Waterways Lead, with SLR International Corporation was presented by Ms. Bates in reference to a recent site revisit on 7/25/23 to update the report originally done in 2020. Entered as Exhibit A.

A letter from Gary deSimone and Elizabeth A. Knope was entered as Exhibit 1 and was discussed briefly by the Commission.

The Commission asked questions and Ms. Bates responded.

Mr. Bumsted asked for public comment.

There being no public comment, the Public Hearing was closed.

DELIBERATIONS:

1. #I23-08 Application of The Slate School, Inc, Applicant & Owner, relative to 5100 Ridge Road.

Mr. Whitcomb moved to approve the Application; Mrs. Sletten seconded the motion.

The Commission voted as follows:

Bumsted – aye Tenedine – aye Lorusso – aye Whitcomb – aye Sletten – aye

The application was approved with appropriate conditions.

INFORMAL: None

OTHER: 2024 Meeting Dates

Mrs. Sletten moved to approve the proposed meeting dates; Mr. Tenedine seconded the motion.

The Commission voted as follows:

Bumsted – aye Tenedine – aye Lorusso – aye Whitcomb – aye Sletten – aye

ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS: None

EXTENSIONS: None

PERMITTED USES AS OF RIGHT: None

BOND RELEASES & REDUCTIONS:

- #I23-06, 19 Valley Brook lane

Mr. Alan Fredricksen, Land Use Administrator presented the request for a bond release in the amount of \$3,500.00.

Mrs. Sletten moved to approve the bond release; Mr. Lorusso seconded the motion. The Commission voted as follows:

Bumsted – aye Tenedine – aye Lorusso – aye Whitcomb – aye Sletten - aye

The bond was released.

- #I20-03, 15 Cottontail Lane

Mr. Alan Fredricksen, Land Use Administrator, presented the request for a bond release in the amount of \$2,500.00.

Mr. Whitcomb moved to approve the bond release; Mr. Tenedine seconded the motion. The Commission voted as follows:

Bumsted – aye Tenedine – aye Lorusso – aye Whitcomb – aye Sletten - aye

The bond was released.

CORRESPONDENCE: - Connecticut DEEP Letter-392 State Street

The letter was briefly discussed.

MINUTES:

- May 24, 2023

Mr. Lorusso moved to approve the May 24, 2023 meeting minutes; Ms. Sletten seconded the motion. The Commission voted as follows:

Bumsted – aye Tenedine – aye Lorusso – aye Whitcomb – aye Sletten - aye

ADJOURN:

Mrs. Sletten moved to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Tenedine seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.