

**Town of Goshen  
Inland and Wetlands Commission  
Regular Meeting  
Thursday, August 4, 2022 7:15PM**

**Present:** Chairman Tom Stansfield, Ray Turri, Allen Kinsella Phillip Koenig and Brandy Summerlin.

**Excused:** Lorraine Lucas and Rick Wadhams

**Others:** Martin Connor, Dennis McMorrow, Dan Kobylenski, Mr. and Mrs. Schnepf, Laura Lutjen, Lee McMann, Matt Conte, George Logan, Keith Bodwell and Ryan Phalen.

**1. Call Meeting to Order:** Mr. Stansfield called the meeting to order at 7:15PM. The proceedings were recorded digitally on Zoom and available on the Town of Goshen website.

**2. Public Hearing: Laura Lutjen, Lot 131 West Hyerdale Drive - Construct driveway, drainage, utilities, garage and patio in upland review area. Construct elevated dwelling and elevated walk in wetlands. Permanent wetland impact is 256 sf, temporary wetlands impact 4000sf and upland review area disturbed is 0.25 acres.** Mr. Stansfield read the Public Hearing notice into record at 7:15pm and discussed the rules of a Public Hearing. Presentation was made by Ms. Lutjen on what her goals were and reason for the Bridge House. Mr. McMann, architect, for the project made a presentation with maps and drawings. Mr. Logan went over the vegetation of the site and the plans to naturally eradicate the invasive plants. He had made site visits in different seasons to see the growing pattern. He also referenced the report that he had submitted. Mr. McMorrow, Engineer, went through each phase of the project which was included in the report submitted. Mr. Conti, works on sensitive work sites, reviewed how his company will come in with special/small equipment to help with this project. Mr. McMorrow did a review of a previous approved plan done on the property that had more impact than the current plan. Mr. Stansfield: describe how a Helical is put in. Mr. Conti: Use a smaller excavator and skidsteer and install dry with a lead section with different flights that are designed to the soil conditions. Gave a description of common work done in wetlands. Mr. Stansfield: how do you know when to stop? Mr. Conti: We measure the torque in real time and it is monitored. Once soil borings are done we know the soil strength and he gave a more detailed description on how that works. Mr. Stansfield: We did a site walk and there are lots of boulders. What happens when you hit one? Mr. Conti: Dig down to working elevation and hopefully we get rid of most of them that way. Great thing about the Helical is that it can be easily removed and he went on to describe the process. Mr. Stansfield: Is the sewer line going to be sleeved? Mr. McMorrow: Wasn't planning on it, using Schedule 40. Mr. Turri: Each drawing had a note for preliminary coordination only not for permit. Does this mean it can change? Mr. McMann: Once approved then it will be developed into more detailed plans. Mr. Turri: The steel plans are not complete? Mr. McMann: No. Ms. Lutjen: I have an engineer that has approved the plans. Mr. McMann: The height could change. We have them at 21 inches as a ballpark number but that has to be confirmed. Mr. Turri: Mr. Conti, are you the builder on record?. Mr. Conti: I will do site work and deck. Home builder will do the house. Mr. Turri: I see no detail on the bridge. My concern is the river that is the only water source to the lake. Mr. Conti: I understand and this is a very common practice that is being proposed and I agree with you. The timber bridge was discussed. Ms. Lutjen: Tim Bartilamayo is the structural engineer. Mr. Stansfield: Can we get a plan for that? Maybe a cut sheet? Mr. Turri and Mr. Koenig agreed. Mr. Turri: We only have 2

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inspectors in town. Once construction starts how do we prevent some people from putting trash and debris in the river? Mr. Stansfield: We would like an engineer with oversight during the construction. Mr. Connor: We require regular reports from project engineers. Mr. Conti: We would have a FT wetlands superintendent and project manager. Mr. Connor: Pre-Construction meeting would be required before anything happens. More discussion was had on the possibility and concern of things flowing into the river. Phases and timeline were reviewed. Vegetation was discussed and Mr. Stansfield commented: Some things are rather large and will create a large hole. It's going to be a mess before it gets pretty. Oversight will need to be done. Mr. Logan: We may let a season go by before doing anything. Timeline was discussed again and it all depends on the timing of the house building. Mr. Connor: As the Wetlands Agent I can see the numbers work and if construction done well in my opinion it would be more conducive to construct this house then the one proposed before. Mr. Stansfield stated the river in this plan is the problem. Kenneth Allen 83 West Hyerdale. We live downstream from the house and want to understand the impact this will have on us. In reading some of the documents it states hydrology impact to downstream residents and I want to understand what that means. Ms. Lutjen: I tried to find you guys. I do have a hydraulic engineer that did indicate there would be no impact. Mr. Allen: We want to know the risk. Carol Allen 83 West Hyerdale: We are not experts and want to know the impact this will have on our house. Mr. Stansfield: May want to talk to the hydraulic engineer. Mr. McMann: It is based off a 3 year flood and it is 1 foot higher than the plain. Nothing will get caught under the bridge. But you should talk to Tim. Ms. Allen: Our main question is if you lived next door to this project what would you be concerned about? Mr. Stansfield: Is the 3 year floodplain what is required and what is that based off of? And what happens if we get greater than that? Mr. McMann: That is what the piles are designed for. If you dug out the soil it would act as a table top. These are actually designed for a superstructure. Mr. McMorrow: It is actually above the 100 year flood level. Ms. Lutgen: Offered to have her engineer speak to them. Ms. Allen: Is there anything else we need to know and what is plan B if non-chemical doesn't work on the weeds? Mr. Logan: Not a plan. That is the only option. Ms. Lutgen: I have a sick child and will not be using chemicals. More discussion was had on the vegetation. Mr. Stansfield stated that the Public Hearing will be continued to next month.

**3. Reading of the Minutes:** The minutes of the regular meeting of July 7, 2022 were reviewed by the Commissioners.

**MOTION by Mr. Koenig and seconded by Mr. Turri, it was VOTED to accept the minutes from the July 7, 2022 regular meeting. Motion carries.**

#### **4. OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. Bryan Schnepf, WL Lot 721, East Hyerdale Dr, Tax Assessors Map 06-004-10 - Construct dwelling within the regulated area.** Mr. Connor stated that they had requested to add a stone wall and silt fence to plans and that was done. Mr. Schnepf presented a new site plan with the change. Mr. Turri asked Mr. Connor if he was happy with it and he said yes.

**MOTION by Mr. Turri and seconded by Mr. Koenig, it was VOTED to approve the application of Bryan Schnepf, WL Lot 721, East Hyerdale Dr, Tax Assessors Map 06-004-10 - Construct dwelling within the regulated area with map dated July 21, 2022. Motion carries.**

- B. Daniel Kobylenski, 12 Park Road - Shoreline stabilization.** Mr. Kobylenski restated that they are not moving into the lake at all and they will be rebuilding the dry well for the downspouts.

**MOTION by Mr. Turri and seconded by Mr. Koenig, it was VOTED to approve the application of Daniel Kobylenski, 12 Park Road - Shoreline stabilization. Motion carries.**

- C. Laura Lutjen, Lot 131 West Hyerdale Drive - Construct driveway, drainage, utilities, garage and patio in upland review area. Construct elevated dwelling and elevated walk in wetlands. Permanent wetland impact is 256 sf, temporary wetlands impact 4000sf and upland review area disturbed is 0.25 acres. Tabled**

#### **5. NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Ryan Phalen, 64 Sandy Beach Road - Shoreline stabilization.** Shoreline stabilization to be done using the same contractor as neighbor and will be tying into the neighbors seawall as well. Filter fabric will be used. Mr. Turri asked Mr. Connor if he was happy with that and he replied Yes.

**MOTION by Mr. Turri and seconded by Ms. Summerland, it was VOTED to accept the application Ryan Phalen, 64 Sandy Beach Road - Shoreline stabilization. Motion carries.**

- B. Keith Bodwell, P.E. for Haworth W Barker II & Marcia Barker - Old Middle Street, Map 04-005-00, 2 lot subdivision & construct dwelling within the regulated area.** Will only have 1 house and will farm the other portion of the property. Zoning requires 2 acres and they are using 5 and the house will not be in Wetlands but just in the review area. Mr. Connor asked that they have a soil science report for the next meeting otherwise everything else looks complete.

**MOTION by Mr. Turri and seconded by Mr. Koenig, it was VOTED to accept the application for Keith Bodwell, P.E. for Haworth W Barker II & Marcia Barker - Old Middle Street, Map 04-005-00, 2 lot subdivision & construct dwelling within the regulated area. Motion carries.**

**6. INLAND WETLANDS ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT:** Mr. Connor did a review of the ZEO report. Mr. Dziedic of 150 East Street South came and apologized for his father digging a pond without proper permitting. It was agreed that it was better to keep what was done and to have Mr. Colby do a plan and stabilize what was done and do after-the-fact

application. Discussed Roraback subdivision. Mr. Turri indicated he will get pictures of that area from the lake for Mr. Connor.

**MOTION by Mr. Koenig and seconded by Mr. Turri, it was VOTED to accept the Enforcement Officer Report. Motion carries.**

**7. CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**8. ADJOURNMENT: MOTION by Mr. Koenig to adjourn the meeting at 9:06PM. Motion carries.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Lori Clinton  
Commission Clerk**