

**CITY OF NORWALK
CONSERVATION COMMISSION/INLAND
WETLAND AGENCY MINUTES
MARCH 24, 2026**

PRESENT: Steve Klocke, Chair; Paul Vinett; Matt Pentz; Devan Healy; Elise Allum; Kathryn Knight (arrived at 6:06 pm)

STAFF: Alexis Cherichetti

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Klocke called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. It should be noted that this meeting was held on Zoom.com with all participants calling in, separately.

II. ROLL CALL

Ms. Cherichetti called the roll.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public that spoke.

IV. RECEIPT & DISCUSSION

There were no applications to be received at this time.

V. DISCUSSION &/OR DECISION

A. #S26-661 – 5 Witch Lane – Suchy – Two (2) lot subdivision of land adjacent to a wetland and a watercourse

Ms. Cherichetti began the presentation and said that the applicant is still working on revisions to the plans. The applicant has granted a 35-day extension of time to the commission. If they had not granted an extension, the public hearing would have been held at this meeting.

Atty Liz Suchy said that they are still working on revising this plan for the Agency. Ms. Cherichetti had met with the applicant's environmental wetlands analyst and requested further evaluations. She hoped that they would be able to present a plan that would be approved. However, Atty Suchy said that they would have to make a decision of whether they would be able to continue the application.

Mr. Klocke asked why the 35 day extension was not 65 days. Atty Suchy said that then they could extend for another 30 days, if necessary. She also noted that they could not move forward with a zoning application until they received approval from this Agency.

VI. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

A. March 10, 2026 meeting minutes

***** MR. VINETT MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 10, 2026 MEETING.**

***** MS. ALLUM SECONDED THE MOTION.**

***** STEVE KLOCKE; PAUL VINETT; DEVAN HEALY; ELISE ALLUM APPROVED.**

***** NO ONE OPPOSED THE MOTION.**

***** MATT PENTZ AND KATHRYN KNIGHT ABSTAINED**

VII. CONSERVATION INITIATIVES

Mr. Klocke noted that there is training for the commissioners which they should complete.

Ms. Cherichetti said the city was in the process of the Citywide Flood Resilience Plan. She would send the commissioners the survey link. They are working on a landing page for the project. There was a listening session held earlier in March. An online survey had been launched which would be available until April 1. The consultants are collecting information from the city's residents as to what they are seeing. She described the survey to them and asked them to share it with others.

Ms. Cherichetti reminded them about the Earth Day event on April 25, 2026. She said that she would be at the event as well.

Mr. Klocke reminded the commissioners about the Peter Piccone lecture in Greenwich on the following evening. Ms. Healy noted that it was only in person, but would be recorded to be viewed later.

Mr. Pentz asked about the online training and whether it had to be completed in a certain amount of time. Once it was started, it had to be completed in 60 days. It had to be completed before the end of 2026.

VIII. REPORTS

A. Commission Chair

There were no reports from Mr. Klocke.

B. Senior Environmental Officer

Ms. Cherichetti noted there would be a public hearing before the Board of Estimate and Taxation tomorrow evening.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

***** MR. KLOCKE MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN.
*** MS. HEALY SECONDED THE MOTION.
*** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Palmentiero