

**CITY OF NORWALK
MEETING OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION/INLAND
WETLAND AGENCY MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 9, 2025**

PRESENT: Steve Klocke, Chair; Paul Vinett; Heather Breslin; Kathryn Knight

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

No one spoke on this item.

IV. RECEIPT & DISCUSSION

There were no new applications received.

V. DISCUSSION &/OR DECISION

A. #S25-657 – 19 Park Street – Somma – Corrective Action activities in response to Enforcement Order #V25-1081

Ms. Cherichetti said that this application remained incomplete. She explained the corrective action which included a variety of activities. The deadline to hold a public hearing would have been at the October 14, 2025 meeting. Since the applicant did not have any updated information to submit, he withdrew the application. She also discussed the next steps which could include a new enforcement order from staff.

VI. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

A. August 26, 2025 meeting minutes

***** MR. VINETT MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 26, 2025 MEETING.**

***** MS. KNIGHT SECONDED THE MOTION.**

***** STEVE KLOCKE; PAUL VINETT; HEATHER BRESLIN APPROVED.**

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

***** NO ONE ABSTAINED.**

VII. CONSERVATION COMMISSION BY-LAWS

A. Review and possible revision

Ms. Cherichetti summarized the changes that the commissioners had discussed at the previous meeting which she had incorporated into the by-laws. They discussed the timing of the annual meeting and clarifications regarding number of votes needed to affirm a motion.

***** MR. KLOCKE MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT THE AMENDED BY-LAWS AS DISCUSSED.**

***** MS. KNIGHT SECONDED THE MOTION.**

***** STEVE KLOCKE; PAUL VINETT; HEATHER BRESLIN APPROVED.**

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

***** NO ONE ABSTAINED.**

VIII. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

There was a discussion about whether to hold the election since the next elections would be held in December. Once they decided to do so, Mr. Klocke nominated Ms. Knight for Vice Chair but she was nominated Mr. Vinett. However, she then accepted the nomination. All the commissioners voted for Ms. Knight who would serve until the next election in December.

There was a discussion about whether a new commissioner would be approved by the Common Council. Mr. Vinett said that there would be a Common Council meeting the following evening.

IX. CONSERVATION INITIATIVES

Mr. Klocke said that he saw the City and Courville Nursery were offering free shade trees. He said that the process was very easy to do. Some of the commissioners and their neighbors have used the program.

X. REPORTS

A. Commission Chair

Mr. Klocke said that he did not have anything to report.

B. Senior Environmental Officer

Ms. Cherichetti said that she did not have anything to report.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

***** MR. KLOCKE MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN.**

***** MS. BRESLIN SECONDED THE MOTION.**

***** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Palmentiero