

**Township of West Milford**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**  
**AGENDA**  
**March 6, 2023**  
**7:00 P.M.**  
**Main Meeting Room**

**LEGAL**

In accordance with Chapter 231, Public Laws of 1975 of the State of New Jersey, adequate advance notice of this meeting of the West Milford Environmental Commission of Passaic County, New Jersey was sent to the Herald News. A copy has been filed with the Township Clerk's office and posted on the bulletin board in the main corridor of the Town Hall and on the Township's website. Please take note of the Fire Exits located in this room in the event of an emergency.

**ADMINISTER OATHS**

**ROLL CALL**

**Regular Members:** James Lyons, James Rogers, Thomas Tamayne, Douglas Trainor, Don Weise, Chairman Stephen Sangle.

**Alternate Members:** Alt #1 ; Alt #2

**PRESENTATIONS**

None.

**APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW**

**FORTINO**

**Bulk Variance ZB-01-23-02**

B 13101; L 8

23 Upper High Crest Drive; LR Zone

**Seeking:** Bulk Variance approval for an addition to the rear of an existing dwelling for a great room and master bedroom, and replacing an existing deck with a 36 sf deck to the right side of the new addition. Variances requested include Front Yard Setback, where 30 ft is required, 18.6 exists, and 18.1 is proposed; Lot Coverage, where 10% is required, 7.7% exists, and 12.6% is proposed; and Deck Setback, where 15 ft is required and 12.5 ft is proposed.

**TIM SULLIVAN & MICHAEL DWYER**

**Bulk Variance ZB-12-22-21**

B 3004; L 14

66 Glendale Road; LR

**Seeking:** Bulk Variance approval for a 11 ft x 17 ft first floor addition for a bedroom, laundry room and office, and a second floor addition in the front of the house for master bedroom, walk in closet, and bath, with variance requested for front yard setback where 40 ft is required, 28.3 exists, and 28.3 is proposed, and side yard setback where 30 ft is required, 15.73 exists, and 15.73 is proposed.

## **ON GOING BUSINESS**

**Greenway Project** – Review/Update.

**Belchers Creek Testing:** Update.

**Community Forestry Mgt. Plan:** Update, if available.

**Greenwood Lake Bi-State Commission:** Report.

**Lakes Committee:** Report.

**Open Space Committee:** Update.

**Environmental Contamination Issues:** Report.

**WM Environmental Boardwalk:** Update on phragmites and Boardwalk condition.

## **NEW OR CURRENT BUSINESS**

**Belchers Creek Trail Feasibility Study** – Update.

**Tree Removal Ordinance Amendments** – Draft review.

**West Milford Lake 2008 Mitigation Study**

## **MINUTES**

Approval of Minutes from recent Environmental Commission meetings.

## **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:**

### **Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act Correspondence**

1. None.

### **NJ Department of Environmental Protection Correspondence**

1. Flood Hazard Area Verification and Individual Permit received from the NJDEP, dated Feb 23, 2023 regarding Block 504; Lot 1, (Mount Laurel Lake) for the construction of a single family home and associated driveway in the riparian zone.
2. NJDEP Natural and Working Land Strategy Stakeholder Sessions, received 06-06-23, seeking carbon sequestration researchers, land managers, local government, environmental NGO's, farmers and private landowners for the following virtual meetings: 03-16-23 = Aquatic Habitats, Non Tidal Wetlands and Tidal Wetlands; 03-21-23 = Developed Lands; 03-23-23 = Agricultural Lands; 03-28-23 = Forested Lands. Visit NWLS website for more info at [NJclimate@dep.nj.gov](mailto:NJclimate@dep.nj.gov).
3. Notice dated March 2, 2023 from HDR Engineering advising of an application for a Freshwater Wetlands Transitional Area Waiver and Flood Hazard Area Individual permit for Veolia Water NJ, B 7801; L 65, Beacon Hill Rd, for the replacement of the existing WWTP (rotating biological contactors) with a membrane bioreactor (MBR) WWTP to meet all current and future NJDEP effluent limits.

### **Miscellaneous**

1. Correspondence from ANJEC, dated 03-06-23, seeking input via survey on open space priorities in NJ for the next version of the SCORP – State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan ([www.anjec.org](http://www.anjec.org)).

2. 2023 ANJEC Open Space Stewardship Grants – Applications due April 17, 2023. Suitable projects include community gardens, trail building, signage, maintenance, urban agriculture projects, printed or online guides, maps, inventories of open space, trails, assessments, riverfront trails, pollinator gardens, multi town plans to link open space or trails, conservation easement inventory, monitoring, outreach and education, invasive species management, restoration or maintenance of riparian areas within preserved public open space, education stormwater management projects on preserved public open space.
3. March FREC Events, Forest Resource Education Center, Jackson, NJ.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**ADJOURNMENT**