

Hampton IWWA Minutes
Special Meeting – March 9, 2024
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Vice-Chairman Witkowski called the Meeting to order at 10:21AM.

Present for the Board: Peter Witkowski, Stan Crawford, Penny Newbury, Maury Burr (10:50)

Not Present: Heather Bonnekson, Martin Mlyniec

Staff and Others Present: Property Owners Jerry and Carol Misak, Recording Clerk Dayna Arriola, neighbors Jonathan Kennan, Jeffrey Smith, Paul Featherstone and David Paine

Item 1: Site Walk

Prior to the start of the site walk, the owners, due to issues of liability, objected to residents other than commission members and staff participating in the inspection of the area of proposed activity, stipulating that they would enter the property at their own risk. The neighbors were apprised of this, as well as their right to participate as members of the public during a public meeting. The neighbors decided to wait on the roadside, where the meeting would conclude, while commission members inspected the site.

The owners showed members the existing channel which was installed by the Town approximately 15 years ago upon the approval of the First Selectman to mitigate drainage issues from the property to the south. The owners were not apprised of this activity at the time. Due to an increase in rain water, it is the intent of the owners to complete the system by continuing the swale from the existing channel to a small pool, or container basin, approximately 10' by 15' wide and 6' deep, where it will empty into another existing swale installed by the Town at the roadside. These swales empty into a culvert, from which water is carried under the road to the property across the street, where pipes have been installed to direct the water to a small pond. A complaint was lodged with the Wetlands Enforcement Officer by the owner of this property, claiming that additional silt was entering into his pond due to the disturbance of soil caused by the activity.

The site walk concluded at 10:56AM. Additional controls were discussed, such as lining the swale with stones, and an inspection by the Town's road crew to clear debris from the pipe emptying into the culvert.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Agency, the Meeting adjourned at 11:05AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dayna Arriola