

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
FAIRFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
MINUTES OF CONSERVATION MEETING  
August 16, 2012**

The Conservation Commission of the Town of Fairfield held a meeting on August 16, 2012 in Meeting Room I, First Floor Conference Room, John J. Sullivan Independence Hall, 725 Old Post Road, Fairfield, CT.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kevin Gumper, Chairman; Milan Bull, Vice Chairman; Frank Rice, Kathleen Maxham, and Elizabeth Jones, *Note: One vacancy.* **ALTERNATES:** No Alternates present *Note: Two alterante vacancies..* Also Present: Thomas Steinke, Conservation Director, Edward Jones, Wetlands Compliance Officer/Open Space Manager, and members of the public and press.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 8:10 p.m. by Kevin Gumper.

**I. CONSERVATION:**

**II. OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. Srinivasan and Sapna Iyer, 148 Evelyn Street, Southport – Request to utilize Conservation Easement as backyard lawn –Edward Jones recommends approval of some Conservation Easement encroachment in central portion with new fencing on sides to be put up by the Iyers. The Iyers requested that this fencing be deer fencing. Edward Jones noted that this was ok. Edward Jones indicated that the Town of Fairfield put up a fence to mark Town Open Space Property. Kate Maxham *moved* and Elizabeth Jones *seconded* to approve agreement between the Iyers and the Conservation Staff and confirm in writing an official letter of agreement. *Motion passed unanimously.*

**III. PUBLIC HEARING**

- A. Conservation Open Space & Public Access Easement Matters related to development of Black Rock Realty, LLC and Town of Fairfield-Formerly 21 Black Rock Turnpike, Kenard Street to Ash Creek-Assessor's Map 80 Parcel 4A. Public hearing to consider whether a proposal to temporarily close portion a of the Conservation Open Space and Public Access Easement for a period of approximately twelve (12) months during building construction, and to use a portion of the easement area for construction and staging for the proposed new residential building should be allowed. (Please note: This hearing was held jointly with the Inland wetlands Agency on the related inland wetland permit matter.)

**DRAFT MINUTES SUBJECT TO REVIEW, CORRECTION AND APPROVAL  
BY THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF FAIRFIELD**

The public hearing was opened at 8:18. This public hearing was held jointly with the Inland Wetlands Agency.

During the Hearing concerns were expressed regarding the proximity of the proposed building to the regulated areas and the Conservation Easement; the temporary closure of the public access walkway and possible alternatives; the adequacy of the existing sanitary sewer line to accept additional flows; and liability for the public access area during the construction period.

At 9:49 p.m. the public hearing was closed. Elizabeth Jones *moved* and Milan Bull *seconded* to table this matter pending submittal of requested information from staff and the Engineering Department *Motion passed unanimously*. The public hearing was recorded and is available for review at the Conservation Department, 725 Old Post Road, Fairfield, CT.

**IV. OTHER**

**V. ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Kate Maxham *moved* and Frank Rice *seconded* to adjourn meeting at 9:50 p.m. *Motion passed unanimously*.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cortney Baranyai