

Town of North Salem
CONSERVATION ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
Wednesday, December 13, 2023, Time: 6:30PM

In person at Ruth Keeler Memorial Library

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
Call to order
Approval of November 2023 minutes

Discussion items:

1. Administrative:
 - a. Introduce new member: Robert Wasp;
 - b. CAC co-chair
2. Easements mapping:
 - a. <https://wcfgis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=83b9794bab184208beee174b4331cfa7>; need to install GAIA on our phones, Andrew Middlebrook will train
 - b. Letters to 230 and 236 Hardscrabble residents for inspections this week, no responses, issued follow up 12/11/2023; 244 Hardscrabble inspection presented and approved by the Building Department
3. Pollinator Pathway Resolution passed! Andrea updated photo with aster - Andrea
4. Tree Ordinance/Tree Communications Plan – postcard and Q&A reviewed with Cynthia and James D. , approved and posted on Building Dept – need to discuss next steps and next project - invasives e.g. bamboo, barberry, etc. to increase awareness
5. Greenburg Tree Ordinance – review and compare with NS Tree Ordinance – make recommendations to Planning Board – All for discussion

Attended or upcoming:

6. 12/6/2023 NS Planning Board 7:30PM
7. 12/20/2023 NS Planning Board
8. Week of 12/11/2023 – easement inspections

Active Sites:

1. APC Group – Armentano – 3 lot subdivision, 3 Hardscrabble, MDRA Memo issued 09/05/2023
2. McGing, 113 Mills Road, Chapter 89/189 Permit request received August 13 – work completed in 2020 – memo received, pending court; Hahn Memo received Oct 2023; INSPECTION CANCELLED
3. Morth Subdivision – pre-application – 324 Hardscrabble Road – on hold
4. Lorusso/Castillo – 26 Whittier Hills Drive – Chapter 89 – Fill Permit Application submitted – Hahn Review Memo received; in litigation
5. DiMaio – 28 Whittier Hills Drive – Hahn and MDRA Review Memo’s received 12/6/2022; Chapter 89/189 Permit Application; soil sample report; in litigation
6. 2-Lot Subdivision 234 Hawley Road Hahn and MDRA Review Memos received 5/2/23
7. 3-Lot Subdivision “Hawley Woods” – MDRA and Hahn Memo received by the CAC 01/30/2023; pending legal docs

Cell Towers:

- a. Bloomer Road Tower – T-Mobile NE LLC – [MDRA Review Memo and Draft Resolution](#).
- b. NY SMSA Ltd Partnership dba Verizon Wireless – exemption – Sun Valley Drive Tower. No report from Ron Graiff as the Propagation Maps were not submitted.
- c. Hammond Museum Tower – June Road – Homeland Towers - ongoing

Next Meeting: January 10, 2023

2023 Priorities

The CAC advises the Town Board on environmental matters and serves as an advocate for the environment. The CAC reviews all wetland and land disturbance applications as well as all subdivisions and site plan applications before the Planning Board.

- a. Further develop collaboration with the NS Planning Board
- b. Continue Environmental Advocacy and Education e.g. CAC "Did You Know?" Postcard, native plantings)
- c. Schedule and plan for inspections of all easements over [3] year rolling time frame
- d. Maintenance plan for CAC Plantings (Purdy's, RKML, June/Hardscrabble)
- e. Add a CAC Junior Member