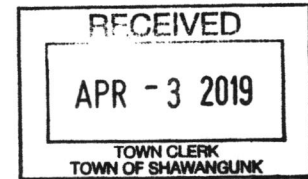


Minutes of a Special Meeting held by the Planning Board of the Town of Shawangunk, County of Ulster, State of New York, at the Town Office Building, 14 Central Avenue, Wallkill, New York, on the 5th day of March, 2019.

Those present were: Mark Watkins, Chair
Kris Pedersen
Alex Danon
Rich Barnhart
Cathy Terrizzi
Patricia Turner
Todd Widmark



Meeting location: Town Hall, 14 Central Avenue, Wallkill

Work Shop: 6:00 pm (1 hour) per special legal notice

Training: Wetlands Presentation

Presenter: Dave B. Tompkins, CWB, PWS

Town of Shawangunk - Planning Board
Wetland Presentation March 5, 2019

Presentation:

1. What is a wetland and why do we care about them?
2. Brief discussion on the functions and values of wetlands
3. An overview on delineation procedure
4. Regulatory framework: What is regulated and what is not?
5. Permits: state vs federal, buffers, criteria for permitting
6. Best management practices to protect wetlands
7. Where is wetland protection going?
8. Q&A/Discussion

The following items were entered into record: Town of Shawangunk Wetlands: identification, Regulation and Protection by David Tompkins, PWS, CWB; sample from City of Bellevue Submittal Requirements and a Checklist of information included with requests for Jurisdictional Determinations (JD).

The guideline for wetland delineation is the 1987, Army Corp of Engineers (ACOE) Wetland Delineation Manual and, the Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Northcentral and Northeast Region U.S. Army Corps of Engineers dated January 2012.

Types of Regulated Wetlands: State and Federal

A Validation of State Wetlands is provided by the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and has a required 100' ft. buffer area from wetlands.

A Jurisdictional Determination (JD) of Federal Wetlands is provided by the ACOE and does not have a required buffer area.

It is recommended that every stream and Federal Wetland have a buffer; at a minimum 25' feet.

If Wetlands are hydrologically connected or are in a complex of wetlands that is 12.4 acres or larger, it can be deemed State eligible wetland and requires adjacent area of 100ft.; and wetlands within 165' feet can be considered adjacent.