

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: North Castle Planning Board

CC: Adam Kaufman, AICP  
Rick Bohlander, P.E., JMC  
Anthony Marino

FROM: John Kellard, P.E. *JK*  
Kellard Sessions Consulting  
Consulting Town Engineers

DATE: April 22, 2022

RE: Anthony Marino  
26 Chestnut Ridge Road  
Section 94.04, Block 1, Lot 39

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As requested, Kellard Sessions Consulting has reviewed the site plans submitted in conjunction with the above-referenced project. The applicant is proposing to import 1,550 c.y. of fill to be placed within the rear yard to level and improve the backyard. A portion of the fill has already been imported to the site and graded. The application does not clarify the amount imported to date. Improvements would include a new patio and walks within the rear yard, totaling 1,800 s.f. of impervious surface. Work will be limited to the rear and side yard and result in 0.4 acres of disturbance. The 1.7 acre parcel is located in the R-2A Zoning District.

The applicant is proposing a stormwater detention system to mitigate increased runoff from the property. Ten (10) Green Giant Arborvitae are proposed along the easterly property line to mitigate the visual impact of the fill on the neighboring property. The applicant has submitted laboratory data reports from Phoenix Laboratories, Inc., which appear to represent tests performed on fill stockpiles for Thalle Industries. No additional information or verification of the fill was provided.

**GENERAL COMMENTS**

1. Laboratory data from Phoenix Laboratories, Inc. indicates that certain soil parameters were present within samples taken. Parameters include detectable levels of arsenic, barium, cadmium, copper, mercury, manganese, nickel, lead, trivalent chromium, zinc, volatiles – tetrachloroethene, pesticides – 4,4'-DDT, semivolatiles – anthracene, benz (a) anthracene, benzo (a) pyrene, benzo

(a) fluoranthene, benzo (b) fluoranthene, benzo (ghi) perylene, benzo (k) fluoranthene, chrysene, dibenz (a, h) anthracene, fluoranthene, indeno (1, 2, 3 – cd) pyrene, phenanthrene and pyrene.

No additional information was provided by the applicant explaining the results, their status in relation to acceptable residential use standards or an explanation of who delivered the material, when it was delivered and how these results relate to the fill which is on-site.

The Planning Board may wish to request additional clarification from the applicant and refer the information and laboratory results to HydroEnvironmental Solutions for their review and recommendations.

2. The applicant is proposing a stormwater detention system to mitigate the increase in runoff from proposed impervious surfaces. The applicant has provided stormwater calculations for the 100-year stormwater event only. Please provide confirmation that off-site discharge will not increase during less intense events. Calculations should also include the 1, 5, 10 and 25-year rainfall events.
3. The applicant is proposing four (4) Stormtech 740 Units. The manufacturer's specifications indicate a total storage volume of 78.47 c.f. per unit with a 9" stone base, which would equate to 313.88 c.f. of total storage. A 6" stone base is proposed which would result in less storage volume. The design also includes an impermeable geotextile surrounding the units and gravel which extends to elevation 666.5. Stormwater calculations indicate a high water elevation of 667 during a 100-year event with 418 c.f. of storage. Approximately 100 c.f. or 33% more volume than the manufacturer indicates is provided. Please clarify.
4. The stormwater calculations indicate that a 2.55 inch orifice is used to restrict outflow from the detention system. Stormwater plans do not include the orifice, but rather a 6" diameter inflow pipe and 6" diameter outflow pipe, both set at the bottom of the structures, elevation 662.5. Please clarify.
5. It is understood that the system is not an infiltration system, however, the applicant shall perform deep soil testing at the location of the detention system to verify soil conditions will permit the installation of the system.
6. Please redirect the detention system outflow away from the proposed plantings along the neighboring property boundary. The preferred location would be below the proposed fill and embankment. Please provide a level spreader to dissipate the flows.
7. Soil stabilization of the slope created by the fill should be stated as mandatory.

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As additional information becomes available, we will continue our review. It is noted that an itemized response to all comments will facilitate completeness and efficiency of review.

**PLANS & REPORT REVIEWED, PREPARED BY JMC, DATED MARCH 28, 2022:**

- Cover Sheet (C-000)
- Existing Conditions Map (C-100)
- Site Plan (C-200)
- Construction Details (C-900, C-901)
- Stormwater Report, dated February 18, 2022

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