

**City of Newburgh  
Waterfront Advisory Committee**

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The Newburgh Waterfront Advisory Committee (WAC) met at the Newburgh Heritage Center located at 123 Grand Street on Wednesday, February 16, 2011.

Present: Waterfront Advisory Committee Chairperson, Denise Ribble, Waterfront Advisory Committee Members, Brian Burke, Regina Dickerson, Gail Fulton, Mary McTamane, Amanda O'Neill, Adam Pollick

Guests: Joseph Thompson (Project Manager for Minuta Architecture, presenting on behalf of Veenu Wine Bar), Ian MacDougall (City Planner)

Denise Ribble called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**I. Review and approval of January 2011 minutes**

Minutes were reviewed and it was agreed that Ms. McTamane would follow up with Craig Marti to review the section of the minutes regarding Quassaick Creek. Once Mr. Marti has reviewed and made any changes necessary, the minutes will be approved.

**II. New Business**

**A. Consistency Review~Veenu Wine Bar, 19 Front Street**

Mr. Thompson reported that there would be no exterior work done to the existing structure and that parking and waste disposal for the facility have been addressed. He also stated that he had reported on behalf of Veenu Wine Bar to the Planning Board and that they will need to go in front of the Planning Board again at their next meeting. Once they have been approved by all necessary committees, work will begin and they are hoping to be open for the spring/summer season of this year. He reported that the approximate capacity for the business will be around 35 people. Mr. Thompson said that in addition to serving wine, they may possibly serve beer and liquor as well, but that there will be no kitchen located in the facility and they will not be serving prepared food. The WAC reviewed the Coastal Assessment Form and found Veenu Wine Bar to be consistent with all requirements (see attached).

Mr. Burke brought up the topic of parking at the waterfront and it was suggested that someone from the WAC speak to City Council about possible alternate side parking there.

**B. Consistency Review~Update, Newburgh Yacht Club, Corps of Engineers Permit for Proposed Dredging**

Ms. Ribble reported that the review was sent to Jennifer Street (Coastal Resources Specialist for the NYS Dept. of State), and that the WAC should hear back from her regarding this matter in approximately one month.

**C. Open Space Planning Grant**

Ms. Ribble reported that Craig Marti (City Engineer) said that there will be a kick-off meeting for the open space planning grant soon.

**III. Old Business**

**A. Section 4 and LWRP Amendments**

Mr. MacDougall presented the WAC members with a Status Report that was then reviewed with committee members from item #12 downward, and discussion was had regarding the report. The merging

of the Harbor Management Plan with the LWRP amendments was also discussed, and Ms. Ribble mentioned that the WAC is awaiting a Land Use Plan before replacing some language that had been incorporated by BFJ, Inc., authors in 2008 from the waterfront development plan of the Leyland Alliance. It was decided that a sub-committee would meet regarding Sections 3, 4 & 5. After discussion, it was determined that the sub-committee will consist of Ms. Ribble, Ms. Dickerson, and Mr. Pollick, and that they will coordinate this before the March meeting.

**B. Lower Broadway**

Mr. MacDougall reported that there is an upcoming meeting regarding this topic soon.

**C. Spud Docks (seasonal floating docks being marketed to Newburgh)**

It was reported that there are currently no funds available for this.

**D. Upcoming Reviews**

Ms. Ribble reported that Michele Kelson, assistant corporation counsel, said that the Colden Street Brewery project would be referred to WAC by the Planning Board, and that the Newburgh Rowing Club had a project but has not submitted anything as of yet.

**E. Resignation of Committee Member**

At the last meeting, Ms. O'Neill stated that she would resign from the WAC in June of this year. She stated that she will be moving out of the city in March and this would be her last meeting as a committee member.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.