SHERMAN INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
SEPTEMBER 19, 2017

PRESENT:  Frank Galasso, Chairman, David Schneider, Mike Humphreys, Mickey Goldfine, Ernie Dech, Robert Putnam, Trish Viola, Clerk

ABSENT:  Henry Cooperman, Lorinda Pallisco, Enforcement Officer Cooper.

Chairman, Frank Galasso called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

I. SITE WALKS – AUGUST 29, 2017
Louisa Eadie – 30 Route 37 East – Schedule A
(Installation of 2 Pre-Fab Horse runs in sheds)
Candlewood Tax District – Orchard Beach Road– Application # 26-17
(Grade the slope above the beach, replace the existing curtain drain, extend the boulder breakwater & add a dock next to the boat launch all within the established review area).

SITE WALKS – SEPTEMBER 12, 2017
Paul & Kristin Grasseler – 46 Anderson Road– Application # 27-17
(Construct New Single Family Dwelling, Well, Septic & Driveway all within the established review area),
David & Linda Lakhdhir – 73 & 77 Spring Lake Road – Application # 28-17
(Modify & extend driveway to access rear of property within the upland review area).

II. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Julia Bicho/Ellen Salamack – 8 Echo Lane South – Violation # 01-17
(Clearing of trees/understory, excavation/grading, construction of retaining walls and filling with earthen materials within an established review area without the required permit/license).
No one attended the meeting representing Julia Bicho/Ellen Salamack. Clerk, Trish Viola told Commissioners that they were unable to attend tonight’s meeting. Clerk, Trish Viola told Commissioners that a Letter of Filing Consent was received showing the dock and plant buffer area. Commissioners reviewed the plan. Commissioner Goldfine made a motion that the Violation was resolved, seconded by commissioner Dech. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

Commissioner Dech made a motion to move Item # 4 Under New Business, seconded by Commissioner Putnam. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

4. Julia Bicho/Ellen Salamack – 8 Echo Lane South – Application # 29-17
(Clearing of trees, understory, excavation/grading, construction of retaining walls and filling with earthen materials, bulk head & plant buffer area, all within the established review area).
No one attended the meeting representing Julia Bicho/Ellen Salamack. Clerk Trish Viola told Commissioners that they were unable to attend tonight’s meeting. Commissioners accepted this application showing the work that was done without a permit/license. Commissioners reviewed the plan that First Light Consent Letter approved. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Goldfine made a motion to have Enforcement Officer Cooper approve this application after reviewing the planting plan. Commissioner Dech seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously Granted.
2. **Elizabeth Hawley/Scott Dayton – 149 Green Pond Road – Violation # 06-17**
(Land clearing, excavation/grading and the installation of a pre-fabricated garage within an Established Review Area without the required permit/license).
No one attended the meeting representing Mr. Scott Dayton. Clerk, Trish Viola told Commissioners that we still haven’t received any new information at this time. Commissioners agreed to continue this violation until next month’s meeting. Will be on next month’s agenda.

3. **Timothy Jay – 26 Saw Mill Road – Application # 24-17**
(Repair Septic System all within the established review area).
Mr. Ralph Gallagher, agent attended the meeting representing Mr. Jay. Mr. Gallagher submitted revised plans showing moving the property line away from the septic area. Mr. Gallagher also told Commissioners that the proposed subsurface sewage disposal system easement was approved by both attorneys. In the audience, was an attorney from First Light, Mr. Street, he disagreed with Mr. Gallagher. However, this was not a public hearing so Mr. Street could not speak to it. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Humphreys made a motion to approve this application with the following conditions: (1) permit on site during construction – (2) contact Enforcement Officer Cooper before starting work – (3) taken by the Commission assures that the applicant has all requisite property rights to perform the work. Commissioner Goldfine seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted.

Commissioner Goldfine made a motion to move Item # 6 Under New Business, seconded by Commissioner Schneider. Motion passed unanimously.

4. **Louisa Eadie – 30 Route 37 East – Schedule A**
(Installation of 2 Pre-Fab Horse Runs in Sheds and Fencing)
Ms. Louisa Eadie and Mr. Jorge Ventricelli attend the meeting. Chairman, Frank Galasso read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Commissioners agreed to have Ms. Eadie add the fencing to the Schedule A. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Dech made a motion to approve this as a Schedule A, seconded by Commissioner Goldfine. Motion passed unanimously. Granted.

5. **Candlewood Tax District – Orchard Beach – Application # 26-17**
(Grade the slope above the beach, replace the existing curtain drain, extend the boulder breakwater & add a dock next to the boat launch all within the established review area).
Mr. Tom Derby, President of Candlewood Tax District attended the meeting. Chairman, Frank Galasso read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Commissioners had concerns regarding a curtain drain coming off a neighboring property onto this property. Mr. Derby will send a notice from the Tax District to the neighboring property letting them know it has to be removed. Mr. Derby will send a copy of the notice to Enforcement Officer Cooper for the record showing a possible violation. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Putnam made a motion to approve this application with the following conditions: (1) permit on site during construction – (2) contact Enforcement Officer Cooper before starting work – (3) all work to be done per First Light Consent Letter – (4) ground to be stabilize immediately after work is complete. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted.
6. **Paul & Kristin Grasseler – 46 Anderson Road – Application # 27-17**  
(Construct New Single Family Dwelling, Well, Septic & Driveway all within the established review area).

Mr. & Mrs. Grasseler attended the meeting. Chairman, Frank Galasso read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Mrs. Grasseler submitted storm water calculations that the Commission requested. Commissioners reviewed the plans and storm water information. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Putnam made a motion to approve this application with the following conditions: (1) permit on site during construction – (2) contact Enforcement Officer Cooper before starting work – (3) Enforcement Officer Cooper to determine in the field if an infiltrator or outlet protection is needed for the footing drains on the north side. Commissioner Goldfine seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted.

7. **David & Linda Lakhdhir – 73 & 77 Spring Lake Road – Application # 28-17**  
(Modify & extend driveway to access rear of property within the upland review area)

Mr. Paul Szymanski of Arthur Howland & Assoc. attended the meeting representing Mr. & Mrs. Lakhdhir. Chairman- Frank Galasso read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Mr. Szymanski explained in detail what they would like to do. Commissioners reviewed the plan and Mr. Szymanski revised the plans at the meeting showing the proposed utilities and proposed 3-3” conduit and using a mini excavator and the silt fence will be locate at the downhill side. After a long discussion, Commissioner Goldfine made a motion to approve this application with the following conditions: (1) permit on site during construction – (2) contact Enforcement Officer Cooper before work begins – (3) all erosion controls to be in place – (4) all work to be done per revised plan at meeting 9-19-17. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted.

### III. NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Dech made a motion to move Items # 7, 8, & 9, seconded by Commissioner Schneider. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

7. **Glen Brook Farm, LLC – 1 Glen Brook Farm Road – Violation # 08-17**  
(Construction of a farm road within an Established Review Area without the required permit/license or administrative approval of an activity that is considered “As of Right”).

Mr. David Wildenstein, owner of Glen Brook Farms, LLC attended the meeting. Mr. Wildenstein apologized to the Commission for doing the work without the required permits. Commissioners agreed to walk the site to see what was done. Commissioners schedule a site walk for 9-30-17. Will be on next month’s agenda.

1. **Glen Brook Farms, LLC – Glen Brook Road – Schedule A**  
(Farm Road)

Mr. David Wildenstein, owner of Glen Brook Farms, LLC attended the meeting. Commissioners will walk the site on 9-20-17. Will be on next month’s agenda. (see above)

8. **Glen Brook Farm, LLC – Route 39 North – Map # 032 Lot # 057 – Violation # 09-17**  
(Construction of a farm road within an Established Review Area without the required permit/license or administrative approval of an activity that is considered “As of Right”).

Mr. David Wildenstein, owner of Glen Brook Farms, LLC attended the meeting. Commissioners will walk the site on 9-20-17. Will be on next month’s agenda. (see above)

9. **Glen Brook Farm, LLC – Route 39 North – Map#032 Lot #057 – Schedule A**  
(Farm Road)

Mr. David Wildenstein, owner of Glen Brook Farms, LLC attended the meeting. Commissioners will walk the site on 9-20-17. Will be on next month’s agenda. (see above)
2. J. Paul Voorhees – 3 Island View Drive – Permit # 19-13  
(Extension – additional 2 years)  
Mr. Voorhees attended the meeting. Mr. Voorhees explained to the Commissioners why he is requesting an extension. Commissioner Goldfine made a motion to approve a 2 year extension, seconded by Commissioner Dech. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

3. Deer Run Shores Assoc. – 12 Deer Run Trail – Permit # 22-15  
(Extension – 2 years)  
Mr. Voorhees attended the meeting representing Deer Run Shores Assoc. Mr. Voorhees explained to the Commissioners why they need an extension. Commissioner Dech made a motion to approve a 2 year extension, seconded by Commissioner Schneider. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

5. Philip Toews – 18 Deer Run Trail – Application # 30-17  
(Removal and relocate large stones from area in front of beach all within the established review area).  
No one attended the meeting representing Mr. Toews. Clerk, Trish Viola told Commissioners that Mr. Toews was unable to attend tonight’s meeting. Clerk, Trish Viola told Commissioners that Mr. Toews asked if the Commission would accept this application and that he will be available for the site walk and next month’s meeting. Commissioners reviewed the picture and accepted the application, and scheduled a site walk for 9-30-17. Will be on next month’s agenda.

IV. REVIEW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT:  
PERMITS – EXTENSIONS – ANY VIOLATIONS:  
Permits:  
Nothing to report.  
Extensions:  
Nothing to report  
Violations:  
See Above  
Reports:  
Nothing to report

V. MINUTES:  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING – 8-15-17  
Commissioner Schneider made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Commissioner Dech. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

VI. CORRESPONDENCE  
A. Affidavit of Publication – 8-17-17  
B. Affidavit of Publication – 8-24-17  
C. Renewal of CACIWC Membership Notice & 40th Annual Meeting Registration Form.  
D. USDA National Agroforestry – Working Trees-Can windbreaks benefit your soil health management system?  
F. E-Mail from Kathy Castagnetta, AICP Town Planner of New Milford regarding Low Impact Development Seminar.

Commissioner Humphreys made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Putnam. Motion passed unanimously.

As there was no further business the meeting ended at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mike Humphreys  
Prepared by Trish Viola, Clerk  
Secretary