SHERMAN INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
NOVEMBER 14, 2017

PRESENT: Frank Galasso, Chairman, David Schneider, Mike Humphreys, Ernie Dech, Lorinda Pallisco, Enforcement Officer Ron Cooper, Trish Viola, Clerk

ABSENT: Mickey Goldfine, Robert Putnam, Henry Cooperman.

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

Chairman, Frank Galasso asked Commissioner Pallisco to fill in as a voting member in the absence of Commissioner Goldfine.

I. SITE WALKS – OCTOBER 28, 2017

Eric & Lisa Greenwald – 23 Ledgewood Drive – Application # 34-17
(Construct stairs & deck landing from driveway to front door – repairs & modifications to existing stairs all within the established review area).

Robert Putnam – 19 Orchard Rest Road – Permit # 25-16
(Modification – Lake House, retaining walls, stone patio, drainage & septic all within the established review area).

David Anderson – 20 Chapel Hill Road – Application # 33-17
(Construct In-ground pool, spa, retaining wall, stone terrace steps, fence and landscaping all within the established review area).

Gail Wildman & Andi Ilte – 15 Coote Hill Road – Application # 32-17
(Construct New Single Family Dwelling, Well, Septic & Driveway all within the established review area).

SITE WALKS – NOVEMBER 11, 2017

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”).

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

Glen Brook Farm, LLC – 1 Glen Brook Farm Road – 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”).

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

II. OLD BUSINESS:

1. 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 Ms. Hawley & Mr. Dayton. At this time, we do not have health approval for this garage. Commissioners agreed to continue this violation until next month’s meeting.
2. **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 attended the meeting representing Glen Brook Farm, LLC. Chairman Frank Galasso read into the record the minutes of the site walk on 11-11-17. Mr. Wildenstein told Commissioners that he would like to do some forestry activity. At this time the Commissioners agreed not to include this on the Schedule A. Commissioners requested Enforcement Officer Cooper to photo document and map all violation areas prior to next month’s meeting. Mr. Wildenstein told Commissioners that he will have the company that will be doing the forestry mark the trees. Officer Cooper will meet with Mr. Wildenstein to discuss the mapping. Will be on next month’s agenda.

3. **Glen Brook Farm, LLC – Glen Brook Farm Road – Schedule A**
   (Farm Road)
   Mr. Wildenstein attended the meeting representing Glen Brook Farm, LLC. Chairman Frank Galasso read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Will be on next month’s agenda. (see above)

4. **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. Wildenstein attended the meeting representing Glen Brook Farm, LLC. Chairman Frank Galasso read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Will be on next month’s agenda. (see above)

5. **Glen Brook Farm, LLC – Route 39 North – Map # 032 Lot # 057 – Schedule A**
   (Farm Road)
   Mr. Wildenstein attended the meeting representing Glen Brook Farm, LLC. Chairman Frank Galasso read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Will be on next month’s agenda. (see above)

6. **Gail Wildman & Andi Iltc – 15 Coote Hill Road – Application # 32-17**
   (Construct New Single Family Dwelling, Well, Septic & Driveway all within the established review area).
   Mr. Michael Carpanzano attended the meeting representing Gail Wildman & Andi Iltc. Chairman Frank Galasso read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Mr. Carpanzano described to the Commissioners what changes were made from the previous approval in 2008. Mr. Carpanzano told Commissioners that the septic system was made smaller and that was the only change made to the plan. Chairman, Galasso read the previous conditions of the approval from 2008. Commissioners reviewed the plans and had Mr. Carpanzano revised the plans at the meeting (11-14-17) showing the limit of disturbance and placement of the silt fence. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Humphreys made a motion to approve this application with the same conditions of the previous approval of 2008 and the plan that was revised at tonight’s meeting (11-14-17). Commissioner Pallisco seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

7. **David Anderson – 20 Chapel Hill Road – Application # 33-17**
   (Construct In-ground pool, spa, retaining wall, stone terrace steps, fence and landscaping all within the established review area).
   Mr. Dirk Sabin of Landscape Architects attended the meeting representing Mr. Anderson. Chairman Frank Galasso read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Mr. Anderson asked to amend the application to add a spa. Mr. Sabin submitted revised plans at the meeting, showing the spa location, the location for the pool water drainage outflow and where the erosion controls are being placed. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Pallisco 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 access will be from Chapel Hill Road and not the driveway – (4) all erosion controls to be in place – (5) install silt fence to show the limit of disturbance area- (6) any material removed from pool area we remain on site. Commissioner Dech seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted
8. Robert Putnam – 19 Orchard Rest Road – Permit # 25-16
(Modification – Lake House, retaining walls, stone patio, drainage & septic all within the established review area).

No one attended the meeting representing Mr. Putnam. Chairman Frank Galasso read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Commissioners reviewed the plans. 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) Enforcement Officer Cooper to approve the location of the erosion controls on site. Commissioner Dech seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

9. Eric & Lisa Greenwald – 23 Ledgewood Drive – Application # 34-17
(Construct Stairs & deck landing from driveway to front door – repairs & modifications to existing stairs all within the established review area).

Mr. David Richardson of Scotts Landscaping attended the meeting representing Mr. & Mrs. Greenwald. Chairman Frank Galasso read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Mr. Richardson described in detail what they would like to do. Also Mr. Richardson told Commissioners that they received health approval. Commissioners had some concerns from the site walk regarding the driveway catch basin that exited into a curtain drain but the outflow could not be located. Mr. Richardson submitted pictures showing the areas of concerns and located the outflow for the catch basin. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Schneider 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 debris to be removed from site immediately – (4) site to be hayed and seeded as soon as deck and stairs are in place. Commissioner Pallisco seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

III. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Justin & Clate Korsant – 20 Spring Lake Road – Application # 36-17
(Implementation of a Mechanical Hydro-Raking Project for the Removal of Phragmites & Cattails at Spring Lake all within the established review area).

Mr. Paul Conti from Solitude Lake Management attended the meeting representing Justin & Clate Korsant. Mr. Conti described to the Commissioners what they would like to do. Commissioners question whether the applicant also needed state approval for this work. Mr. Conti was not sure and will find out. After a brief discussion, Commissioners accepted the application and scheduled a site walk for 12-2-17 with a snow date of 12-9-17. Will be on next month’s agenda.

2. Chris Bizier – 32 Big Trial – Permit # 16-17
(Modification – removal of retaining wall)

Mr. Dainius Viblickas, P.E. of Artel Engineering Group attended the meeting representing Mr. Bizier. Mr. Viblickas described in detail the revised plan showing the removal of the retaining wall and explained why they are removing it. Mr. Viblickas stated it would be less invasive for the site. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Dech made a motion to have Enforcement Officer Cooper approve this modification, seconded by Commissioner Humphreys. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

IV. REVIEW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT:

PERMITS – EXTENSIONS – ANY VIOLATIONS:

Reports: Enforcement Officer Cooper told Commissioners that he received a complaint regarding materials being place on Crooked Furrows Road at the Naromi Land Trust property for a possible parking area. Mr. Rick Hudson property owner on that road asked the Commission if he would be able to speak before the Commission if something was submitted. Chairman, Galasso told Mr. Hudson if comments are put in writing the Commission will read it into the record. Mr. Hudson thanked the Commission for their time.
Permits:
Permit # 24-15 - N.Cooney & J. Valladares – 29 Ledgewood Drive – Officer Cooper reported work is complete.
Permit # 09-16 – David Anderson – 20 Chapel Hill Road – Officer Cooper reported work is complete.
Permit # 18-16 – Joshua & Wendy Quinby – 10 Atchison Cove – Officer Cooper reported work is in progress.
Permit # 08-17 – Bicho/Salamack – 8 Echo Lane South – Officer Cooper reported work is in progress.
Permit # 14-17 – Suzanne & Jason Woodage – 63 Church Road – Officer Cooper reported he received a complaint that a temporary structure was installed on the property that was not included on the permit application and he will follow up on the complaint.
Permit # 18-17 – GDV, LLC & BUJO, LLC – 49 Route 39 North – Officer Cooper reported the lot has been cleared.
Permit # 22-17 – Hannah McKinnon – 44 Spring Lake Road – Officer Cooper reported work on the foundation has begun.
Permit # 29-17 – Bicho/Salamack – 8 Echo Lane South – Officer Cooper reported he is still waiting for a planting plan from the applicant. Officer Cooper may have to ask for an extension letter from the applicant if not ready with plan.
Permit # 31-17 – Sherman Park & Rec. – Allen Cove – Officer Cooper reported work is complete.

Extensions:
Nothing to report

Violations:
See Above

V. MINUTES:
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING – 10-17-17
Commissioner Pallisco made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Commissioner Dech. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

VI. CORRESPONDENCE
A. Affidavit of Publication – 10-26-17
B. Connecticut Wildlife – September/October 2017
C. Inside Agroforestry – Windbreak Innovation

Commissioner Humphreys made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Dech. 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