SHERMAN INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
JANUARY 23, 2018

PRESENT: Frank Galasso, Chairman, David Schneider, Mike Humphreys, Mickey Goldfine, Robert Putnam, Ernie Dech, Henry Cooperman, Lorinda Pallisco, Land Use Attorn Mr. Michael Zizka, Enforcement Officer Ron Cooper, Trish Viola, Clerk

ABSENT: 

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

I. SITE WALKS – JANUARY 14, 2018
   Town of Sherman – Town Garage – 43 Rt. 39 North – Application # 40-17
   (Reuse – soils within the regulated area).
   Mark Iaia – 14 Atchison Cove Road – Application # 41-17
   (Repairs and maintenance of sea wall and dock within the established review area).
   Samuel Edelman – 12 Briggs Hill Road – Application # 39-17
   (Install 2 dry patios within the regulated area).

Chairman Galasso told Commissioners that under New Business – Item # 2 Glen Brook Farm, LLC – Schedule A - (Forestry) Will be move to Under Old Business after Item # 4. Commissioners agreed.

II. OLD BUSINESS:
   1. 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 gave a summary of the previous meetings and site walks. Enforcement Officer Cooper stated he has walked the site (2) times and has taken approximately 60 pictures of some areas of concern. Commissioners review the pictures that were submitted. Commissioners began discussing whether the activity that was completed should be considered ‘As of Right” or should have been a permitted application. Commissioners had several issues regarding filling of wetlands, filling within a stream that was crossed with a culvert pipe, and excavation of fill material from a possible wetland area all done without any wetlands mapping or permit application. Land Use Attorney Mr. Zizka explained to the applicant and the Commissioners that without wetlands mapping plan and a plan, it is hard to determine what would be “As of Right” and what would need to have a permitted application. Mr. Zizka stated that some of the work could be “As of Right” and other work that was done could need a permit application. Commissioners requested that the applicant submit an application with a wetlands map and showing where the wetlands and stream crossings are and information regarding the culverts as well as showing the 100 ft. upland review area and a mitigation plan. Also the Commission requested that the wetlands be flagged in the areas adjacent to the road. Mr. Zizka also told Commissioners that, since the Schedule A application was submitted in September 2017 a decision should be made with regard to that Schedule A at this time. He suggested moving forward when a wetlands map and application and a Schedule A are re-submitted for both properties. After a long discussion, Commissioners voted to deny without prejudice, the current Schedule A’s for both properties for the farm road.

   2. Glen Brook Farm, LLC – 1 Glen Brook Farm Road – Schedule A
      (Farm Road)
      Mr. David Wildenstein attended the meeting representing Glen Brook Farm, LLC. Commissioner Cooperman made a motion to deny this Schedule A without prejudice. Commissioner Humphreys seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Denied (see above under Violation # 08-17 minutes)
3. **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 attended the meeting representing Glen Brook Farm, LLC. (see above minutes for both violations)

4. **Glen Brook Farm, LLC – Route 39 North – Map#032 Lot #057 – Schedule A**  
(Farm Road)  
Mr. David Wildenstein attended the meeting representing Glen Brook Farm, LLC. Commissioner Cooperman made a motion to deny this Schedule A without prejudice. Commissioner Humphreys seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Denied (see above under Violation # 08-17 minutes)

**New Business:**

2. **Glen Brook Farm, LLC – 1 Glen Brook Farm Road – Schedule A**  
(Timber Forestry)  
Mr. David Wildenstein and Mr. Ian Branson, CT Cert. Forester attended the meeting. Mr. Branson described to the Commissioners what they would like to do. Mr. Branson told Commissioners that the work that they are going to be doing would be considered as a hard cutting on the property. Commissioners reviewed the map and scheduled a site walk for 2-11-18 with a snow date of 2-18-18. Will be on next month’s agenda.

5. **Samual Edelman – 12 Briggs Hill Road – Application # 39-17**  
(Install 2 dry set patios within the regulated area)  
Mr. Brant Cadovius, Agent attended the meeting representing Mr. Edelman. Chairman Galasso read into the record the minutes of the site walk. After a brief 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 starting work. Commissioner Dech seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously. Granted

6. **Town of Sherman – Town Garage – 43 Route 39 North – Application # 40-17**  
(Reuse – soils within the regulated area)  
Mr. Don Borkowski, Highway Supervisor attended the meeting representing the Town of Sherman. Chairman Galasso read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Commissioners had concerns that the soils were already spread in areas close to the regulated area. Mr. Borkowski told Commissioners that he moved two areas only and used the west side as a mark. Commissioners reminded Mr. Borkowski that the CT DEEP does not allow road sweepings to be spread within the 100 feet of wetlands. After a brief discussion, Commissioners agreed to continue this application until the wetland areas are flagged and then the Commission will walk the site again. Will be on next month’s agenda.

7. **Mark Iaia – 14 Atchison Cove Road – Application # 41-17**  
(Repairs and Maintenance of a sea wall and dock within the established review area)  
Mr. David Richardson of Scott Landscaping attended the meeting representing Mr. Iaia. Chairman Galasso read into the record the minutes of the site walk. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Cooperman made a motion to approved this application with the following conditions: (1) permit on site for the duration of the project – (2) contact Enforcement Officer Cooper before starting work – (3) all erosion controls to be in place by the stock pile area – (4) the high water mark is to be maintained. Commissioner Dech seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

**III. NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Naromi Land Trust – 3 & 8 Irene Lane off Hubble Mt. Rd. – Application # 01-18**  
(Steps)  
Mr. Jack Thomson from the Boy Scouts and Ms. Amanda Branson of Naromi Land Trust attended the meeting. Mr. Thomson described to the Commissioner how he would like to replace steps on both sides of an intermittent watercourse where an existing trail crosses the watercourse. Commissioners reviewed the pictures of the site. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Dech made a motion to have Enforcement Officer Cooper approve this application administratively. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
IV. REVIEW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT:
PERMITS – EXTENSIONS – ANY VIOLATIONS:

**Reports:**
Nothing to report

**Permits:**
- Permit # 01-17 – Clate & Justin Korsant – Spring Lake Road – Officer Cooper reported work is done and will check the site.
- Permit # 14-17 – Suzanne & Jason Woodage – 63 Church Road – Officer Cooper reported that a temporary structure was put up without a permit and Officer Cooper will follow up with a site visit.
- Permit # 16-17 – Christopher Bizier – 32 Big Trail – Officer Cooper reported he is waiting for plans before work begins.
- Permit # 18-17 – BU/O & GDV LLC – 49 Route 39 North – Officer Cooper reported driveway has been installed.
- Permit # 22-17 – Hannah McKinnon – 44 Spring Lake Road – Officer Cooper reported work is in progress.
- Permit # 23-17 – Lance Rogers – 21 Jericho Road North – Officer Cooper reported work is complete.
- Permit # 24-17 – Timothy Jay – 26 Saw Mill Road – Officer Cooper reported there may be an issue with the easement.
- Permit # 26-17 – Candlewood Tax District – Orchard Beach – Officer Cooper reported work will start soon.
- Permit # 27-17 – Kristin Grasseler – 46 Anderson Road – Officer Cooper reported he is waiting to received plans.
- Permit # 29-17 – Bicho/Salamack – 8 Echo Lane South – Officer Cooper reported work will be finished in the spring.
- Permit # 30-17 – Philip Toews – 18 Deer Run Trail – Officer Cooper reported work will start soon.
- Permit # 36-17 – Justin & Clate Korsant – 20 Spring Lake Road – Officer Cooper reported no work has started yet.

**Extensions:**
- Permit # 22-15 – Deer Run Shores Assoc. – 12 Deer Run Trail – Officer Cooper reported work will being soon.

**Violations:**
See Above

V. MINUTES:
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING – 12-19-17
Commissioner Dech made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Commissioner Cooperman. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

VI. CORRESPONDENCE
A. Affidavit of Publication – 12-21-17
B. Affidavit of Publication – 1-11-18
C. Letter from the Town of Kent – Notice of Public Hearing regarding (Regulations)

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

As there was no further business the meeting ended at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Humphreys

Prepared by Trish Viola, Clerk

Secretary