SHERMAN INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
AUGUST 20, 2019

PRESENT: Robert Putnam Vice Chairman, Mike Humphreys, Henry Cooperman, Lorinda Pallisco, Trish Viola, Clerk, Enforcement Officer Cooper

ABSENT: Frank Galasso, David Schneider, Ernie Dech.

Vice Chairman Bob Putnam called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

I. SITE WALKS
Nothing to report

II. OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Laura Kozelouzek – 10 Echo Lane South – Application # 15-19**
   (Mitigation Plan for Violation # 05-18 all within the established review area)
   Mr. Mike Mazzucco, P.C. attended the meeting representing Ms. Kozelouzek. Vice Chairman Bob Putnam read into the record the site walk. Mr. Mazzucco told Commissioners that the line for the hot tub has been removed and then he explained in detail what they would like to do. After a long discussion, Commissioner Cooperman made a motion to approve this application with the following conditions: (1) the permit must be on site and available for the duration of the approved activity. (2) A pre-construction meeting must be scheduled at least 48 hours in advance with the Inland Wetlands Agent. (3) All E & S controls must be installed in accordance with the submitted plan before any work can begin – (4) follow the construction sequence on the submitted plan (Michael J. Mazzucco, P.C. dated 5-17-19 revised 7-15-19 –drawing #19022) – (5) construction to take place on or around mid-September and October 2019 – (6) the engineer will meet with the owner and contractor doing the work to review what needs to be done per plan (7) the fence posts must be removed from the wetlands watercourse as shown on the submitted plan and if reinstalled no part of the fence should be closer than 2 to 3’ to the watercourse embankment. Commissioner Pallisco seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

2. **CT Audubon Society – 57 Wakeman Hill Road – Application # 16-19**
   (Remove invasive plants, plant pockets of native shrubs and small trees, increase diversity of meadow and herbaceous plants all within the established review area).
   Ms. Cathy Hagadorn, Director of Deer Pond Farm, Mr. Kyle Turoczi, Wetlands Ecologist & Certified Soil Scientist, Mrs. Lisa Turoczi, Landscape Designer Owner/Manager of Earth Tones, LLC and Mr. Jim Arrigoni, Biologist attended the meeting representing CT Audubon Society. Enforcement Officer Cooper told Commissioners that he met on the site with everyone and approved the removal of the logs on the wood road, and that it had minimal disturbance. Mrs. Turoczi submitted a map showing the intermittent water course delineated and said it was dry at this time. Also submitted was a map describing to the Commissioners where the work would be done in sections (removal and installation of new plantings). Also stated that a small excavator would be used and work would be done by hand too. (Commissioners view a demonstration from Mrs. Turoczi’s phone) of the small excavator and how it works. Also submitted was information on how they use the propane torch to control barberry. Mrs. Turoczi stated at this time there is no work to be done in the regulated area. After a long discussion, Commissioners agreed that the work to be done is “As of Right” Schedule A. Ms. Cathy Hagadorn, Director submitted a letter to withdraw this application and submitted a Schedule A (As of Right). Commissioners all agreed.
III. NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Town of Sherman – Schimpf Pond – Route 39 North – Application # 20-19 (Dredge Pond)**
   
   No one attended the meeting representing the Town of Sherman. Enforcement Officer Cooper explained to the Commissioners what the town would like to do. Commissioners reviewed the plan and after a brief discussion, Commissioner Cooperman made a motion to have Enforcement Officer Cooper approve this application, seconded by Commissioner Humphreys. Motion passed unanimously. Granted.

2. **Naromi Land Trust-Rt. 39 North-Wimisink Preserve-Map32-Lot46 – Application # 21-19 (Rebuild and expand boardwalk all within the established review area)**

   Ms. Amanda Branson, director of Naromi Land Trust attended the meeting. Ms. Branson described to the Commissioners what they would like to do. Commissioners reviewed the plans and accepted this application. Commissioners scheduled a site walk for 9-3-19. Will be on next month’s agenda.

   **Commissioner Cooperman recused himself**

3. **Jewish Community Center – 9 Route 39 South – Application # 22-19 (Pave existing gravel parking lot all within the established review area)**

   Mr. Stan Greenbaum, Project Manager of the Jewish Community Center attended the meeting. Mr. Greenbaum described to the Commissioners what they would like to do. Commissioners reviewed the plans and accept this application. Commissioners scheduled a site walk for 9-3-19. Will be on next month’s agenda.

4. **Town of Sherman – Briggs Hill Road – Application # 23-19 (Install a new 18” cross-pipe under road in a new location and remove existing old pipe and head walls all within the established review area)**

   No one attended the meeting representing the Town of Sherman. Enforcement Officer Cooper described to the Commissioners what they would like to do. Commissioners accepted the application and scheduled a site walk for 9-3-19. Will be on next month’s agenda.

IV. REVIEW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT:

   PERMITS – EXTENSIONS – ANY VIOLATIONS:

   **Violations:**

   **Laura Kozelouzek – 10 Echo Lane South – Violation # 05-18**
   (Erection of a storage structure and excavation/grading within wetlands and/or within an Established Review Area without the required permit/license).
   See above under Old Business. (Violation is still pending)

   **Robin D. Partelow – 18 Spring Lake Road – Violation # 08-18**
   (Excavation, Grading and driving Motor Vehicles within Watercourse/Wetlands and/or within an Established Review Area without the required permit/license).
   No one attended the meeting representing Ms. Partelow. Enforcement Officer Cooper told Commissioners that he received a letter from Beatty Construction stating that the ruts from the excavator going along the stream have largely leveled themselves out and the area has revegetated itself. The letter also stated that there is no erosion at this point and their recommendation would be just to leave it as is. Commissioners scheduled a site walk for 9-3-19. Will be on next month’s agenda.
Permits:
Permit # 16-17 – Christopher Bizier – 32 Big Trail – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported that work still needs to be done on the driveway.
Permit # 19-17 – BUIO, LLC – 14 Locust Lane – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported work is complete.
Permit # 28-17 – David Lakhdir – 73 & 77 Spring Lake Road – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported work is complete.
Permit # 04-18 – Wayne Frick – 17 Taber Road- Enforcement Officer Cooper submitted pictures of the site and reported work is complete.
Permit # 41-18 – Lauretta Bruno – 2 Lake Shore Woods Road – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported work is complete.
Permit # 08-19 – Timber Trails Rt. 37 South – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported work is complete.
Permit # 11-19 – Albert Burgasser – 1 Short Lane – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported work is complete.
Permit # 18-19 – Lisa Van Vooren – 26 Hubble Mt. Rd. - Enforcement Officer Cooper reported work is complete.
Permit # 19-19 – Kevin Holliday – 22 Holiday Pt. Rd, - Enforcement Officer Cooper reported is complete.

Extensions:
Nothing to report.

Reports:
Nothing to report.

V. MINUTES:
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Commissioner Cooperman made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Commissioner Pallisco. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

VI. CORRESPONDENCE:
A. Affidavit of Publication – 7-25-19
B. Affidavit of Publication – 8-1-19
C. Affidavit of Publication – 8-1-19
D. Letter from First Light – regarding Notice of Violation at 5 Sawmill Road, Sherman
E. Copy of Annual Report of Commissioners Activities – Fiscal Year 2018-2019

Commissioner Cooperman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Pallisco. Motion passed unanimously.

As there was no further business the meeting ended at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Humphreys
Secretary

Prepared by Trish Viola, Clerk