

**SHERMAN INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSE COMMISSION
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
MAY 20, 2014**

PRESENT: Tom Zinn, Chairman, David Schneider, Linda Berger, Mike Humphreys, Frank Galasso, Mickey Goldfine, Hank VonAncken, Ernie Dech, Trish Viola, Clerk.
ABSENT: Enforcement Officer Ron Cooper

Chairman Zinn called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.
Chairman Zinn told Commissioner VonAncken that he will replace Commissioner Zitter as a voting member.

I. SITE WALKS – 5-5-14

Melissa Neier – 23 Taber Road – Application # 04-14

(Install 18x40 in ground pool & porch all within the established upland review area)

Edward O’Neill – 74 Route 39 North – Application # 05-14

(Re-grade existing swale in a wetlands area)

Laura Baxter – 164 Route 39 North – Application # 06-14

(Construct 20x25 Barn & curtain drain in an established upland review area)

SITE WALKS – 5-12 -14

Beth Greenwald – 11 Mill Pond Road – Application # 08-14

(Construct in ground pool, patio, retaining walls & pool equipment all within the established upland review area)

Paul Russo 49 Orchard Rest Road – Application # 10-14

(Install driveway & driveway turn around, repair stone wall all within the established upland review area)

II. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Melissa Neier - 23 Taber Road – Application # 04-14

(Install an 18x40 in-ground pool and screened in porch all within the established upland review area).

Mr. Jim Dobson, Dobson Pools, Agent for the applicant attended the meeting. Chairman Zinn read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Mr. Dobson explained to the Commission what they would like to do. Commissioner Berger 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 Galasso seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

2. Edward & Virginia O’Neill – 74 Route 39 North – Application # 05-14

(Re-grade existing swale in a watercourse or wetlands area).

Mr. O’Neill attended the meeting. Chairman Zinn read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Commissioner Berger recommends that the application should read “ in a watercourse or wetlands area” and not “in an established upland review area” since work is to be done in the stream bed. Commissioners agreed. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Galasso 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) work to be done mid- summer – (4) erosion controls to be in place. Commissioner Goldfine seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

3. **Laura Baxter/Bruce Alexander – 164 Route 39 North – Application # 06-14**
(Construct 20x25 Barn & curtain drain in an established upland review area).
Ms. Laura Baxter attended the meeting. Chairman Zinn read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Ms. Baxter explained to the Commissioners what they would like to do. Ms. Baxter modified the plan to include the curtain drain dated 5-20-14 at the meeting. After a discussion, Commissioner Galasso 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) work to be done in a dry season – (4) any removal of vegetation near stream Enforcement Officer Cooper is to be notified first. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

4. **Beth Greenwald – 11 Mill Pond Road – Application # 08-14**
(Construct in-ground pool, patio, retaining walls & pool equipment all within the established upland review area).
Mr. Paul Szymanski of Arthur H. Howland & Assoc, Agent for the applicant attended the meeting. Chairman Zinn read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Mr. Szymanski explained to the Commissioners what they would like to do. Commissioner Berger 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) cartridge filter to be used. Commissioner VonAncken seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

5. **Paul Russo – 49 Orchard Rest Road – Application # 10-14**
(Install driveway and driveway turn around, repair stone wall all within the established upland review area).
Mr. Paul Russo attended the meeting. Chairman Zinn read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Mr. Russo explained to the Commissioners what he would like to do. Mr. Russo modified the plan to show the erosion controls dated 5-20-14 at meeting. 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 Schneider seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

III. NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Sean Hilderbrand – 2 Fox Run – Application # 12-14**
(Construct New Single Family Dwelling, Well, Septic, Driveway and reconstruction of existing stone wall all within the regulated area).
Mr. Hilderbrand attended the meeting. Mr. Hilderbrand described to the Commissioners what he would like to do. Commissioners accepted the application and scheduled a site walk for 6-2-14. Will be on next month's agenda.

2. **Paul Delforno – 4,10&12 River Oaks Lane – Application # 13-14**
(Construction of a new common driveway for 4, 10 & 12 off of River Oaks Lane all within the regulated area).
Clerk Trish Viola told Commissioners that the agent Mr. Ralph Langham was unable to attend the meeting this evening. Clerk Trish Viola told Commissioners that Mr. Langham would be available for the site walk and next month's meeting. He would like the Commission to accept the application. Commissioners accepted the application and scheduled a site walk for 6-2-14. Will be on next month's agenda.

REVIEW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT:

PERMITS – EXTENSIONS – ANY VIOLATIONS:

Permits:

Nothing to report.

Extension:

Nothing to report.

Reports:

Nothing to report.

Violations:

Gloria Chiesi – 29 Deer Run Trail – Violation # 05-12

Clerk Trish Viola told Commissioners that Mr. Peter Young was hired by Ms. Chiesi. Mr. Young stopped by the office today and stated that he spoke with Mr. Brian Woods of First Light and will be meeting with Mr. Cooper at the end of the week to discuss the violation. Mr. Young will have a plan for the Commission at the June 2014 meeting.

IV. MINUTES:

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Commissioner Berger made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Commissioner Humphreys. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

V. CORRESPONDENCE:

- A. Connecticut DEEP's Training for Municipal Inland Wetlands Agencies 2014.

Commissioner VonAncken made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Goldfine. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Prepared by Trish Viola, Clerk

Respectfully submitted,
Frank Galasso
Secretary