

**SHERMAN INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSE COMMISSION
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
JUNE 16, 2015**

PRESENT: Tom Zinn, Chairman, Frank Galasso, Mike Humphreys, Mickey Goldfine, Hank Von Ancken, Ernie Dech, Enforcement Officer Ron Cooper, Trish Viola, Clerk.

ABSENT: Linda Berger, David Schneider.

Tom Zinn, Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Zinn asked Commissioner Dech to fill in as a voting member in the absence of Commissioner Berger.

Clerk Trish Viola, told Commissioners that we have received an application to add to the agenda. Commissioner Dech made a motion to add under New Business – Item # 6 – Town of Sherman – 2 Taber Road – Schedule A – motion was seconded by Commissioner Galasso. Motion passed unanimously. Granted.

I. SITE WALKS -
Nothing to report.

II. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Doug & Karen Cushnie – 44 Mill Pond Road – Application # 06-15
(Construct 36x28 Storage Barn within the established review area)

No one attended the meeting representing Mr. & Mrs. Cushnie. Enforcement Officer Cooper explained to the Commissioners that the location for the garage is not finalized at this time. Applicant is working with First Light regarding a possible location. Chairman Zinn read into the record a letter from Mrs. Cushnie asking to withdraw this application at this time and when they resubmit could the fee be waived. Commissioners agreed to waive the fee with the new application when submitted.

III. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Keith & Diana Thuesen – 14A Jericho Road North – Application # 11-15
(Install driveway within the upland review area & established review area).

No one attended the meeting representing Mr. & Mrs. Thuesen. Enforcement Officer Cooper told Commissioners that he has walk the site and explained to the Commissioners what they would like to do. Chairman Zinn read into the record a letter from Margery Josephson, President of Naromi Land Trust regarding the application. Commissioners reviewed the plans and after a brief discussion, Commissioners accepted the application and scheduled a site walk for 6-26-15. Will be on next month's agenda.

2. Samual Edelman – 55 Briggs Hill Road – Application # 12-15
(Proposed Pond dredging, landscaping & placement of boulders within established review area).

Clerk Trish Viola, told Commissioners that Mr. Paul Szymanski, of Arthur Howland & Assoc. was unable to attend the meeting and asked if the Commissioners would accept this application. Clerk Viola also told Commissioners that he would be available for the site walk and next month's meeting. Enforcement Officer Cooper told Commissioners that he has met with Mr. Szymanski and explained to the Commissioners what they would like to do. Commissioners reviewed the plans and after a brief discussion, Commissioners accepted the application and scheduled a site walk for 6-22-15. Will be on next month's agenda.

3. **Josh DeWind – 61 Briggs Hill Road – Schedule A**
(Repair an existing dam, dredge a portion of the pond and stabilize the western stream bank all within the established review area).
 No one attended the meeting representing Mr. DeWind. Enforcement Officer Cooper told Commissioners that he has walk the site and explained to the Commissioners what they would like to do. Chairman Zinn read into the record a letter from Margery Josephson, President of Naromi Land Trust regarding the application. Commissioner Galasso also read into the record an email from Mr. DeWind to Mrs. Josephson and cc: to Chairman Zinn. After a brief discussion, Commissioners agreed to walk the site and hold a Special Meeting in the field after site walk to determine if this work is a Schedule A. Commissioners scheduled a site walk for 6-22-15.

4. **Town of Sherman – Briggs Hill Road (Town Right of Way) – Application # 13-15**
(Stabilize the eroded swale on the south side of Briggs Hill Road within the established review area).
 Enforcement Officer Cooper told Commissioners that he has walked the site and explained to the Commissioners what the Town would like to do. Commissioners reviewed the plans and after a brief discussion, Commissioners accepted the application and scheduled a site walk for 6-22-15. Will be on next month's agenda.

5. **Zolton Tuba – 45 Wanzer Hill Road – Application # 14-15**
(Repair two docks, trim brush along shoreline, repair/replace fence and restore beach – replace approx. 2 yards of sand all within the established review area).
 No one attended the meeting representing Mr. Tuba. Enforcement Officer Cooper told Commissioners that he has walk the site and explained to the Commissioners what they would like to do. Commissioners reviewed the plans and after a brief discussion, Commissioners accepted the application and scheduled a site walk for 6-26-15. Will be on next month's agenda.

6. **Town of Sherman – Happy Acres – 2 Taber Road – Schedule A**
(Back fill existing culvert pipe)
 Enforcement Officer Cooper told Commissioners that this work was already done, and the application has come in after the fact. Officer Cooper was told this was an emergency situation. After walking the site, Officer Cooper informed the Town that they needed a permit for this work. Commissioners agreed that the Town has to notify the Enforcement Officer and the Commission before starting any work that requires a permit. Commissioners have scheduled a site walk for 6-26-15. Will be on next month's agenda.

IV. **REVIEW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT:**
PERMITS – EXTENSIONS – ANY VIOLATIONS:

Permits:

- Permit # 12-14 – Sean Hilderbrand -2 Fox Run – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported work has slowed down at the site and that all erosion controls are in place.
- Permit # 15-14 – Robert Wahl – 6 Lake Shore Woods – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported that they will be starting the plantings soon.
- Permit # 20-14 – Peter Kuring – 5 Coote Hill Road – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported that some of the trees and bushes have been removed.
- Permit # 21-14 – Clifford Butscher – 11 Old Forest Road – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported that the foundation work has begun.
- Permit # 22-14 – Paul Delforno – 12 River Oaks Lane – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported that they will be working on the septic in the next few weeks.
- Permit # 30-14 – Gloria Chiesi – 29 Deer Run Trail – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported that they are working on the plantings.
- Permit # 01-15 – Edward Ng – 11 Coote Hill Road – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported that work will be starting soon.
- Permit # 02-15 – Peter Kuring – 5 Coote Hill Road – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported that the foundation is in.

Permit # 03-15 – Gerard & Kathy Diemer – 15 Anderson Road – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported work is still in progress.

Permit # 05-15 – Paul Wolansky – 161 Green Pond Road – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported that he will be signing the Planning & Zoning permit this week.

Extension:

Nothing to report.

Violations:

Nothing to report.

Reports:

Permit # 03-13 – Roger Oppenheimer – 12 Chimney Hill Road – Enforcement Officer Cooper explained to the Commissioners that the owner did not install the rain gardens which was a condition of the approval. The owner doesn't want to install the rain gardens. Commissioners agreed to have Enforcement Officer Cooper contact the Engineer to modify the plan and submit a modification application to the Commission for approval.

V. MINUTES:

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Under Old Business – Item # 2 – line #2 – (delete) step (add) steps. Commissioner Humphreys made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected, seconded by Commissioner VonAncken. Motion passed unanimously. Granted.

VI. CORRESPONDENCE:

- A. Letter and copy of application from the Town of New Milford notifying the Commission of an adjoining property application for Blueberry Lane.

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

As there was no further business the meeting ended at 8:15 p.m.

Prepared by Trish Viola, Clerk

Respectfully submitted,
Frank Galasso
Secretary