

**SHERMAN INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSE COMMISSION
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
JULY 19, 2016**

PRESENT: Linda Berger, Chairman, Frank Galasso, David Schneider, Mike Humphreys, Ernie Dech, Robert Putnam, Enforcement Officer Ron Cooper, Trish Viola, Clerk.

ABSENT: Mickey Goldfine

Chairman, Linda Berger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

I. SITE WALKS – JUNE 27, 2016

Karen & Doug Cushnie – 44 Mill Pond Road – Application # 14-16

(Install 36 x 28 Storage Barn within the established review area)

Hedy Cihanck – 23 Candlewood Lake Drive – Violation # 04-16

(Clearing of Trees & Understory, Blocking (Filling) a Watercourse with Cut Tree Branches/Brush debris and channelizing a Watercourse within an established review area without the Required Permit/License).

Greg Migliorisi – 16 Locust Lane – Violation # 01-16 & Application # 12-16

(Mitigation of existing violation & retaining walls, steps and addition of masonry stairs all within the established review area).

Town of Sherman – Briggs Hill Road – Application # 13-16

(Drainage Improvements all within the established review area).

II. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Lance Rogers – 21 Jericho Road North – Violation # -02-15

(Clearing of Trees & Understory with heavy Equipment operating in an established review area without the required permit/license)

Mr. Rogers attended the meeting. Mr. Rogers agreed to discuss this violation under New Business.

2. Greg Migliorisi – 16 Locust Lane – Violation # 01-16

(Condition of Inland Wetlands Permit # 24-13 that Have Not and Might Not Have Been Adhered To).

3. Greg Migliorisi – 16 Locust Lane – Application # 12-16

(Mitigation of existing Violation – New retaining walls – step, addition of masonry stairs all within the established review area).

Mr. Migliorisi attended the meeting. Chairman, Linda Berger read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Mr. Migliorisi described to the Commissioners what he would like to do regarding the steps and installing drywalls to protect from erosion due to the construction of the walkways and the steps. Commissioners also reviewed the planting plan that was submitted by Mr. Migliorisi and was prepared by Scott's Landscaping. Mr. Migliorisi asked the Commissioners if he could use some of the plantings that are going to be removed and plant them further up on the property. Commissioners reviewed the plans and after a long 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) Enforcement Officer Cooper will determine in field the location for erosion controls to be placed – (4) gravel or other stone material will be placed along the walkways between the steps – (5) work will be done in stages starting at the bottom – (6) Enforcement Officer Cooper to inspect when ½ way up – (7) must maintain a 5 foot wide limit of disturbance for the construction of the walkways and steps – (8) Enforcement Officer Cooper to review what trees may need to be removed, or this may be

determined by an Arborist – (9) First Light Letter of Consent dated 6-21-16 to be followed – (10) all plantings that will be removed and replanted will be overseen by Enforcement Officer Cooper – (11) no invasive plants to be planted (e.g. Burning Bush). Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted.

5. **Town of Sherman – Briggs Hill Road – Application # 13-16**

(Drainage improvements along the South Side of Briggs Hill Road & between the intersections of Chimney Hill Road all within the established review area).

Mr. Clay Cope, 1st Selectman and Mr. Tony Idarola, Town Engineer attended the meeting. Chairman, Linda Berger read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Chairman Berger also read into the record a letter to 1st Selectman, Clay Cope requesting the Town Engineer to be present for the meeting. Mr. Cope described to the Commissioners what they would like to do. Commissioner Humphreys had several concerns regarding all the winter road sand that washes off the road and into gets into Tollgate Brook, Greenwoods Brook and Sawmill Brook, and eventually flushes downstream into Allens Cove/Candlewood Lake. Commissioner Humphreys referred to the Sawmill Book Watershed study prepared for the DEP by JEP Engineering and the Candlewood Lake Authority 2004 which provided calculations on road sand use, and strongly recommended measures at this and other location to reduce the amount of road sand entering the water courses. Mr. Idarola explained in detail the issues concerning this road. After a long 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) install the largest rip-rap swale that will fit in this location, with check dams for the recapture of road sand and sediment per plan revised at meeting dated 7-19-16. Commissioner Galasso seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted.

6. **Karen & Doug Cushnie – 44 Mill Pond Road – Application # 14-16**

(Install 36 x 28 Storage Barn within the established review area).

Mr. Cushnie and Mr. Wren, Contractor attended the meeting. Chairman, Linda Berger read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Mr. Wren told Commissioners that the ledge will be chipped out and no blasting will be done. Mr. Wren has some concerns regarding the ledge and hopes to move the barn a little further back. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Putnam 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) no storage of excavated material on site – (4) silt fence to be install at the 440 line to act as a limit of disturbance – (5) gutters with 4 downspouts to be installed at the building corners or alternatively, stone to be placed at the roof drip lines. Commissioner Dech seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted.

4. **Hedy Cihanck – 23 Candlewood Lake Drive – Violation # 04-16**

(Clearing of Trees/Understory, Blocking (Filling) A Watercourse with Cut Tree Branched/Brush Debris and Channelizing A Watercourse within an established Review Area without the Required Permit/License).

No one attended the meeting representing Ms. Cihanck. Chairman, Linda Berger read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Enforcement Officer Cooper told Commissioners that the owner is out of town. Officer Cooper will follow up with the owner. Will be on next month's agenda.

III. NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Lance Rogers – 21 Jericho Road North – Violation # 02-15**

(Clearing of Trees & Understory with heavy Equipment operating in an established upland review area without the required permit/license)

Lance Rogers – 21 Jericho Road North – Application # 15-16

(Mitigation of existing Violation – New – Removal of invasives on north side of Naromi Brook all within the established review area).

Mr. Rogers attended the meeting. Enforcement Officer Cooper told Commissioners that he met with Mr. Rogers and walked the property. Enforcement Officer Cooper told Commissioners that Mr. Rogers has not done any further work on the south side of the property and that the site was stabilized. Officer Cooper stated that no other work needs to be done at this time on the South Side. Again, Mr. Rogers apologized to the Commission for not knowing he needed a permit.

Commissioners also requested that the corduroy should remain and not be removed. Mr. Rogers submitted maps showing the areas on the south and north side of the property where the work was and will be done. Mr. Rogers showed Commissioners on his I-Pad thirty (30) pictures of the site and all the invasives he would like to continue to remove. Commissioners had some concerns regarding buffers and mowing along Naromi Brook. After a long discussion, Commissioners accepted the application and will schedule a site walk. Mr. Rogers will be out of town and will return in September. Commissioners agreed to carry this application over to next month's meeting and then schedule a site walk at that time. Will be on next month's agenda.

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

Permits:

Permit # 21-14 – Clifford Butscher – 11 Old Forest Rd. – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported work is complete.

Permit # 22-14 – Paul Delforno – 12 River Oaks Lane – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported that the driveway and septic are in but no dwelling yet.

Permit # 18-15 – Town of Sherman – Town Garage – Wash Station – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported work is in progress and he is working with the engineer regarding the drainage and detention basins.

Permit # 20-15 – Jay Adolf – 45 Orchard Rest Road – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported work is in progress.

Permit # 21-15 – Belford Elizondo – 31 Anderson Road – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported work is in progress.

Permit # 22-15 – Deer Run Shores Assoc. – 12 Deer Run – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported work is complete.

Permit # 23-15 – Hugh Delage – 37 Holiday Point Road – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported that only ½ of the pond has been dredged.

Permit # 06-16 – Robert Kantor – 72 Wakeman Hill Road – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported work is complete.

Permit # 08-16 – Gilon Irwin – 39 Deer Run Trail – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported that Zoning Board of Appeals approved their application.

Permit # 10-16 – Amanda Ruane – 1 Anderson Road West – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported no work has begun.

Extensions:

Nothing to report.

Violations:

See above.

Reports:

Nothing to report.

V. **MINUTES:**

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

VI. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- A. Affidavit of Publication – June 23, 2016
- B. Affidavit of Publication – June 30, 2016
- C. USDA-National Agroforestry Center – Newsletter regarding Working Trees.
- D. Connecticut Wildlife – May/June 2016

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

As there was no further business the meeting ended at 9:30 p.m.

Prepared by Trish Viola, Clerk

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Humphreys
Secretary

