

**SHERMAN INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
MAY 16, 2017**

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

ABSENT: Henry Cooperman

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

Chairman, Frank Galasso informed Commissioners that we have two (2) Applications to add to the agenda under

New Business:

4. Christopher Bizier – 32 Big Trial – Application # 16-17

(Construct New Single Family Dwelling, Well, Septic and Driveway all within the established review area).

Commissioner Goldfine made a motion to add this application # 16-17 to the agenda. Commissioner Dech seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

5. John DePhillips – 3 Fox Run – Application # 17-17

(Install new septic system within the established review area).

Commissioner Goldfine made a motion to add this application # 17-17 to the agenda. Commissioner Dech seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

I. SITE WALKS – MAY 2, 2017

Sean Hilderbrand – 2 Fox Run – Application # 13-17

(Construct In-ground Pool, Fence, Patio, Shed & Cleanout Pond –remove invasive plant species all within the established review area).

Town of Sherman – Munch Meadows – Route 37 East – Application # 10-17

(Removal of dead trees all within the established review area).

Calvin Arnold/Sarah Bolan – 201 Route 37 South – Application # 12-17

(Construct In-ground Pool & Fence all within the established review area).

II. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Blake Preferred Realty – 2 Shore Drive – Application # 07-17

(Tree removal, drill well, repair front stoop, repair rear decks, repair gravel driveway all within the established review area).

Mr. Dibiasi, Contractor attended the meeting representing Blake Preferred Realty. Mr. Dibiasi told Commissioners that they are stilling waiting for their First Light Consent Letter. Mr. Dibiasi asked to amend the application deleting (repair shed and decks according to First Light approval) at this time, so they can continue with other work. Commissioners agreed to amend this application. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Dech 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) removal of trees will remain on site when dropped (4) the owner will submit a modification to the permit when they received First Light approval for the other work. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

2. **Julia Bicho/Ellen Salamack – 8 Echo Lane South – Violation # 01-17**
(Clearing of trees/understory, excavation/grading, construction of retaining walls and filling with earthen materials within an established review area without the required permit/license).
Mr. Mike Mazzucco, Engineer left word that they have no new information as they are still waiting for First Light Letter of Consent. Commissioners agreed to continue this violation until next month's meeting. Will be on next month's agenda.
3. **Town of Sherman – Munch Meadows –Rt. 37 East – Application # 10-17**
(Removal of dead trees within the established review area).
No one attended the meeting, representing the Town of Sherman. Clerk, Trish Viola told Commissioners that Mr. Clay Cope, 1st Selectman would not be able to attend the meeting. Chairman, Galasso read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Commissioners had several questions regarding how the dead trees will be removed. Commissioners agreed to continue this application until next month's meeting. Will be on next month's agenda.
4. **Calvin Arnold/Sarah Bolan – 201 Route 37 South – Application # 12-17**
(Construct In-ground Pool & Fence all within the established review area).
Mr. Kevin Murray, agent attended the meeting representing Mr. Arnold & Ms. Bolan. Chairman Galasso read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Commissioners had some concerns about a platform that was constructed without a permit within the established review area. After a brief discussion, Mr. Murray told the Commissioners that the platform will be removed. Commissioners then discuss the area regarding the pool and pool fence. Mr. Murray revised the plan dated 5-16-17 at meeting showing the areas for the stock pile, silt fence and the cement apron not to exceed 5'. 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 (3) per plan by Pools by Jorg dated 4-4-17. Commissioner Putnam seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted.
5. **Sean Hilderbrand – 2 Fox Run – Application # 13-17**
(Construct In-ground Pool & Fence, Patio, Shed, Remove Invasive Plants Species, Dredge Pond and spread spoils on adjacent upland area, all within the established review area).
Mr. Sean Hilderbrand attended the meeting. Chairman Galasso read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Commissioners had several concerns regarding the cleanout of the pond and the removal of the invasives. Commissioners wanted to know how deep the pond dredging would be, what type of machinery would be used, were any plantings to be done to stabilize the berm, where the dredging spoils would be spread relative to the wetlands, was the wetlands boundary still flagged. After a long discussion, Commissioners recommended that Mr. Hildebrand amend his application at this time to remove the pond dredging and invasive plant removal from the application so that the applicant can continue to do his other work. Commissioners also recommended that Mr. Hildebrand meet with Enforcement Officer Cooper to discuss the pond dredging and removal of invasives, and then he can submit a modification to the permit for this work once a plan is developed. Mr. Hilderbrand agreed to amend this application and remove the pond cleanout and removal of invasives. Commissioners reviewed the modified plan regarding the pool, fence, patio, and shed. Commissioner Dech made a motion to approve this modified application with the following conditions: (1) permit on site during construction – (2) contract Enforcement Officer Cooper before starting work (3) the owner will submit a modification to this permit when he has all the information regarding the cleanout of the pond and removal of invasives. Commissioner Humphreys seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted.

III. NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Suzanne Lee Anderson (Woodage) – 63 Church Road – Violation # 04-17**
(Land clearing, excavation/grading and the parking of cars within wetlands and/or within an Established Review Area without the required permit/license).
Mr. & Mrs. Woodage attended the meeting. Enforcement Officer Cooper explained to the Commissioners the Notice of Violation. Mr. Woodage described to the Commissioners what he was doing on the property and why he was doing it. Commissioners will walk the site on 5-23-17. Will be on next month's agenda.

2. **Suzanne & Jason Anderson (Woodage) - 63 Church Road – Application # 14-17**
(Repair & Extend curtain drain and connect to catch basin, Construct Shed, install walkway & steps and improvement to driveway all within the established review area).
 Mr. & Mrs. Woodage attended the meeting. Mr. Woodage described to the Commissioners what he would like to do. Commissioners review the plans that were submitted. Commissioners agreed to accept the application and scheduled a site walk for 5-23-17. Will be on next month's agenda.
 3. **Stuart Anderson/Jason Derosa – 35 Route 39 South – Application # 15-17**
(Install new septic system within the established review area).
 Mr. Chris Marvin, Septic Installer attended the meeting representing Mr. Anderson and Mr. Derosa. Mr. Marvin described to the Commissioners what he would like to do. Commissioners agreed to have Enforcement Officer Cooper walk the site and determine if this will be a sign off by the Wetlands Agent. Commissioners agreed to have Enforcement Officer Cooper approve this application if appropriate.
 4. **Christopher Bizier – 32 Big Trail – Application # 16-17**
(Construct New Single Family Dwelling, Well, Septic and Driveway all within the established review area).
 No one attended the meeting representing Mr. Bizier. Clerk, Trish Viola told Commissioners that Mr. Dainius Viburlickas, P.E. of Artel Engineering Group was unable to attend this evening. Commissioners accepted the application and schedule a site walk for 5-23-17. Will be on next month's agenda.
 5. **John DePhillips – 3 Fox Run – Application # 17-17**
(Install new septic system within the established review area).
 Mr. & Mrs. DePhillips attended the meeting. Mr. DePhillips described to the Commissioners that this new septic system is for an accessory dwelling. Commissioners agreed to have Enforcement Officer Cooper walk the site and determine if this will be a sign off by the Wetlands Agent. Commissioners agreed to have Enforcement Officer Cooper approve this application if appropriate.
- IV. **REVIEW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT:**
PERMITS – EXTENSIONS – ANY VIOLATIONS:
Permits:
 Permit # 24-13-Greg Migliorisi – 16 Locust Lane – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported the permit has expired.
 Permit # 21-14 – Clifford Butscher – 11 Old Forest Road – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported the permit has expired.
 Permit # 22-14 – Paul Delforno – 12 River Oaks Lane – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported the permit has expired.
 Permit # 30-14 – Gloria Chiesi – 29 Deer Run Trail – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported the permit has expired.
 Permit # 02-15 – Peter Kuring – 5 Coote Hill Road – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported the permit has expired.
 Permit # 05-15 – Paul Wolansky – 161 Green Pond Road – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported permit has expired.
 Permit # 08-15 – Steve Siegel – 21 Island View Drive – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported permit has expired.
 Permit # 24-15 – Conney/Valladares - 29 LedgeWood Dr. – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported work is in progress.
 Permit # 10-16 – Amanda Ruane – 1 Anderson Rd. West – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported work will being soon.
 Permit # 20-16 – Town of Sherman – Veteran's Field – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported work is complete.
 Permit #01-17 – Clate & Justin Korsant – Spring Lake Road – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported ground is too wet for any work to start.
 Permit # 05-17 – Town of Sherman – Tennis Courts – Saw Mill Road – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported work is in progress
 Permit # 06-17 – Hedy Cihanck – 23 Candlewood Lake Drive – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported that the owner is still waiting for First Light Permit.

Extensions:

Nothing to report

Violations:

See Above

Reports:

Nothing to report

V. MINUTES:

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING – 4-18-17

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

VI. CORRESPONDENCE:

- A. Letter from the USDA – Natural Resources Conservation Service regarding Recent Alley Cropping Publication.
- B. Working Trees Info regarding can alley cropping provide more farming options.
- C. USDA – Inside Agroforestry – Issue # 2 – New Beginning Farmers
- D. Affidavit of Publication – 4-7-17
- E. Affidavit of Publication – 4-28-17
- F. Affidavit of Publication – 4-28-17

Chairman, Galasso told Commissioners that Mrs. Pallisco was observing the meeting and is interested in being a commissioner. The Commission will forward this to the Board of Selectman for their approval.

Chairman, Galasso told Commissioners that the Board of Selectman has appointed Mr. Cooperman to the Inland Wetlands Commission as a full member.

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 8:45 p.m.

Prepared by Trish Viola, Clerk

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Humphreys
Secretary