

**SHERMAN INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSE COMMISSION  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
MAY 19, 2015**

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

**ABSENT:** David Schneider, Mickey Goldfine.

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 Schneider.

**I. SITE WALKS - 4-27-15**

**Anne Sirotnak – 49 Orchard Rest Road – Application # 07-15**

**(Construct new retaining wall, repair existing retaining wall, replace existing steps down to lake, and create fire pit and landscape planting to re-vegetate slope all within the established review area).**

**Doug & Karen Cushnie – 44 Mill Pond Road – Application # 06-15**

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

**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. Chairman Zinn read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Enforcement Officer Cooper told Commissioners that he met with Mr. Wren regarding the site. Mr. Wren explained that they had a surveyor stake the location of the barn and that it was not below the 440 boundary. Enforcement Officer Cooper submitted pictures of the site and spoke with First Light and was told no Letter of Consent would be needed. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Berger made a motion to have Enforcement Officer Cooper, Agent approve this application, seconded by Commissioner Galasso. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

**2. Anne Sirotnak – 49 Orchard Rest Road – Application # 07-15**

**(Construct new retaining wall, repair existing retaining wall, replace existing step down to lake, create fire pit and landscape plantings to re-vegetate slope all within the established review area)**

Mr. David Richardson of Scott's Landscaping attended the meeting representing Ms. Sirotnak. Chairman Zinn read into the record the minutes of the site walk. Mr. Richardson submitted an addendum to the application. Clerk Trish Viola read it into the record. Also read into the record the notes from First Light. Mr. Richardson told Commissioners that there would be no material brought in or out and that the hill would be mulched. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Dech made a motion to approved this application with the following conditions: (1) permit on site during construction – (2) contact Enforcement Officer Cooper before starting work – (3) all erosion controls to be in place per plan – (4) work on the retaining wall to be done during the drawdown – (5) roof runoff at the outfall to be armed with stone to stop erosion. Commissioner Berger seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

### **III. NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Orchard Rest Beach Association – 51 Orchard Rest Road – Application # 09-15  
(Replace existing steps and deck all within the established review area)**

Mr. Kevin Keenan of Southview Builders attended the meeting representing Orchard Rest Beach Association. Mr. Keenan explained what they would like to do. Enforcement Officer Cooper told Commissioners that he walked the site and submitted pictures for the Commissioners to review. Mr. Keenan asked Commissioners if it was possible to have Enforcement Officer Cooper, Agent approve this application. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Galasso made a motion to have Enforcement Officer Cooper, agent approve this application, seconded by Commissioner Dech. Motion passed unanimously. Granted.

**2. Edward O’Neill – 74 Route 39 North – Application # 10-15  
(Addition – Shed 10x12 within the established review area)**

No one attended the meeting representing Mr. O’Neill. Enforcement Officer Cooper explained what they would like to do. Enforcement Officer Cooper told Commissioners that he has inspected the property regarding the work that is being done on the swale. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Galasso made a motion to have Enforcement Officer Cooper, Agent approve this application, seconded by Commissioner Dech. Motion passed unanimously. Granted.

**3. Gloria Chiese – 29 Deer Run Trail – Permit # 30-14  
(Modification – extend planting schedule & extra time for drainage & patio work – add steps for future walkway all within the established review area).**

No one attended the meeting representing Ms. Chiese. Clerk Trish Viola told Commissioners that Mr. Peter Young, agent had another meeting and would hope to make it back in time. Enforcement Officer Cooper explained to the Commissioners that new work was done without a permit. Enforcement Officer Cooper also told Commissioners that one of the conditions on the approval of this permit was to have the plantings done by 6-1-15. After a brief discussion, Commissioners Berger made a motion to deny this modification, seconded by Commissioner Galasso, Motion passed unanimously. Commissioners Berger also made a motion to have Enforcement Officer Cooper, Agent approve only a 2 month extension of the planting schedule, seconded by Commissioner Galasso. Motion passed unanimously. Granted

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

**Permits:**

Permit # 05-14 – Edward O’Neill – 74 Rt. 39 North – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported work is almost done.

Permit # 22-14 – Paul Delforno – 12 River Oaks Land – Enforcement Officer Cooper reported work is in progress regarding the driveway.

Permit # 30-14 – Gloria Chiesi – 29 Deer Run Trail – Enforcement Officer Cooper gave his reported about the permit under new business.

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

Permit # 08-15 – Steve Siegel – 21 Island View Driver – Enforcement Officer Cooper explained to the Commissioners that the prior permit had just expired at last month’s meeting. The owner came in to apply now to start the work. Enforcement Officer Cooper approved the application with the same conditions as the prior permit.

**Extension:**

Nothing to report.

**Violations:**

Nothing to report.

**Reports:**

Enforcement Officer Cooper told Commissioners about work that may be done on Briggs Hill Road regarding a drainage swale. Officer Cooper will submit an application for the Town at next month’s meeting.

V. **MINUTES:**

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VI. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- A. CACIWC - The Habitat – Spring 2015
- B. CT Dept. of Energy & Environmental Protection – Municipal Inland Wetlands Agency Continuing Education Workshop – Legal and Administrative Updates.
- C. Affidavit of Publication – 4-29-15
- D. Affidavit of Publication – 5-6-15
- E. Report Book from Sam J. & Angela M. Simons regarding Request for Resolution Easement Agreement dated February 27, 2014 Lot 1/Reserve – Glen View Subdivision.

Commissioner Galasso made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Berger. 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