

February 23, 2017

**Call to Order:** The monthly meeting of the Sterling Inland Wetland and Watercourses Commission (IW&WC) was called to order at 7:0 p.m. by Chairman Roger Gibson. Other members present-Jen Mossner, Robert McLevy, Maggie Camplin, Brad Herman, Alternate James Hawkins, Jr., and Alternate Dori Cote.

Members absent-Richard McGarry and Kimberly Gunn.

Alternate D. Cote was seated for K. Gunn and Alternate J. Hawkins was seated for R. McGarry.

Staff present-Russell Gray, Joseph Theroux, and Joyce Gustavson.

Also present-Earl Roberts.

**Audience of Citizens:** No comment.

**Additions to Agenda:** None

**Approval of Minutes:** R. McGarry made a motion, seconded by D. Cote to approve the monthly meeting minutes of 1/26/2017 as written and presented. All voted in favor of the motion.

**Correspondence:** None.

**Unfinished Business:** None.

**New Business:**

**a. Application by Earl & Grace Roberts to Enlarge Access Road into Wetland and Dredge 3 Ponds for Fire Control, Irrigation, Reclamation Soil, Dust Control and Nature for Property Located at 609 Sterling Road:** J. Theroux submitted the application and a Compilation Plan for property located at 609 Sterling Road (Route 14) Sterling, CT (Assessor's Map 03830/022/0102). E. Roberts stated that the purpose of the application is to enlarge the access road into wetland, dredge three (3) ponds for fire control, irrigation, reclamation of the soil, dust control, and nature by providing sustainable water supply for wildlife. Also, to provide sustainable water for fire control for 300+ acres along track bed; to provide irrigation for farm products; to control dust for gravel operations; and to increase the downstream watershed from seasonal to yearlong. J. Theroux stated that this is a completed application except for the \$210 application fee. It was noted that the Commission does not have an engineered plan outlining the reclamation of the site, details of where the road will go, elevation views, dimension drawings, erosion controls, and sequencing. R. McLevy made a motion, seconded by B. Herman to accept this as application #IW17-01 for review for the restoration of the ponds and existing agricultural purposes. Discussion followed to accept the application and start the sixty-five (65) day clock noting that the engineered plans may not be ready in sixty-five (65) days or not accept the application and wait for a set of engineered plans and ask the applicant to extend the application period by thirty-five (35) days if needed. Commissioners J. Hawkins, D. Cote, M. Camplin, R. McLevy, and B. Herman voted in favor of accepting the application tonight for review and not wait for the engineered plans and Commissioners J. Mossner and R. Gibson voted to not accept the application for review until the engineer plans are available. Motion carries to accept this as application #IW17-01 for review. A site walk has been scheduled for Tuesday, March 14 at 4:00 p.m.

**Agents Reports:**

1. Violations: No current violations.
2. Other Issues:

A) J. Theroux reported he has no new information regarding the application for 93 Hell Hollow Road. He contacted the Department of Energy & Environmental Protection (DEEP) regarding the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit and was told that a NPDES permit is not necessary as the discharge is under five hundred (500) gallons per day.

B) J. Theroux reported that Louis Magiera has completed two thirds (2/3) of the building demolition for property located at 1148 Plainfield Pike, Oneco, CT and noted no issues.

3) Richard LaFleche, 0 Sterling Road (Route 14): J. Theroux reported that R. LaFleche has the site shut down for property located at 0 Sterling Road (Route 14).

**Any Other Business to Come Before the Commission:** None

**Adjournment:** R. McLevy made a motion, seconded by J. Mossner to adjourn at 7:46 p.m.

All voted in favor of the motion.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Joyce Gustavson, Recording Secretary

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Richard McGarry, Secretary