

March 27, 2014

Call to order: The monthly meeting of the Sterling Inland Wetland and Watercourses Commission (IW&WC) was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Rich McGarry, Secretary. Other member's present-Robert McLevy, Kimberly Gunn, Alternate James Hawkins, Jr., Alternate Dori Cote, Brad Herman (7:04 p.m.), and Roger Gibson (7:17 p.m.). Member's absent-Maggie Camplin and Jen Mossner. Alternate J. Hawkins, Jr., was seated for M. Camplin and Alternate D. Cote was seated for R. McLevy.

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

Also present-Robert Harwood, Timothy Frink, Monique Verien, and David Held.

Audience of Citizens: No comments.

Additions to Agenda: None

Approval of Minutes: J. Hawkins made a motion, seconded by D. Cote, to approve the monthly meeting minutes of 11/21/2013 as written and presented. All voted in favor of the motion.

Correspondence: J. Theroux passed out the following: 2014 Winter Habitat newsletter, and three (3) training videos from DEEP (Department of Energy and Environmental Protection): Introduction: Connecticut's Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Act; Introduction to Map Reading and Site Plan Review; and The Functions and Values of Wetlands and Watercourses.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

a. Application by Tim Frink for 262 Ekonk Hill Road: J. Theroux presented the application, two (2) soil maps provided by the State of Connecticut, and a sequence of activities sheet for property located at 262 Ekonk Hill Road (Assessor's Map 03648/033/0016) for a pond construction for agricultural irrigation. J. Theroux stated that this is a "Permitted Use as of Right", and will be about one (1) acre in size, partly constructed in wetlands. The applicant will install a silt fence along the border of the disturbed area and place a lip and berm (rock apron) around the perimeter. This is a flat site and a good location for a pond. The State Land Use fee is \$60 for the Permitted Use as of Right. J. Theroux stated that the Commission can do one of two things; act tonight on the application or wait one (1) month, do a site walk and issue the ruling at the next meeting.

J. Hawkins made a motion, seconded by R. McLevy, to approve this as Application #14-01. All voted in favor of the motion.

Agents Reports:

1. Violations: a) J. Theroux reported that there are no new violations and that Falls Creek will begin the remediation the first week of May.

2. Other Issues: a) J. Theroux reported that S. Chviek, Economic Development Coordinator, has asked him to review Lot #6 and the remaining portions of the useable

Phase 2 property located in the Sterling Industrial Park. b) J. Theroux issued an agent approval to construct a 12 x 16' ice house and reconstruction of the adjacent wall on 459 Sawmill Hill Road, owned by Chris Fallon (Assessor's Map: 04419/005/0020).

Any Other Business: J. Theroux reported that Tilcon Connecticut, Inc., submitted mylars for the renewal of an existing excavation permit for property located on Sterling Road-Route 14 (former Glass property). This was a five (5) year permit and statutory changes make the permit good for nine (9) years, expiring on 3/26/2018.

Adjournment: R. McLevy made a motion, seconded by J. Hawkins to adjourn at 7:23 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion.

Attest: Joyce A. Gustavson
Joyce A. Gustavson, Recording Secretary

Attest: _____
Richard McGarry, Secretary