

January 23, 2020

Call to Order: The monthly meeting of the Sterling Inland Wetland and Watercourses Commission (IW&WC) was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Chairman Roger Gibson. Other members' present-Jen Mossner, Richard McGarry, Brad Herman, Robert McLevy, Kimberly Gunn, and Alternate James Hawkins Jr.

Members' absent-Maggie Camplin.

Alternate J. Hawkins was not seated.

Staff present-Joseph Theroux, Link Cooper, Don Aubrey, and Patricia Ball.

Also present-Jacob Faulise, Dan McKay, and Harry Heller.

Approval of Minutes: J. Mossner made a motion, seconded by R. McGarry to approve the monthly meeting minutes of 9/26/2019 as written and presented. All voted in favor of the motion.

Correspondence: None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

a. Application by American Industries Inc. for Property Located at 609 Sterling Road (Route 14) (Owner: Grace Harriot Roberts) Map 03830, Block 022, Lot 0102 - Gravel

Removal Operation: The following was submitted into record: The Application for Permit and application fee in the amount of \$2,760; Proposed Gravel Excavation Project Plan; a letter from Harry Heller of Heller, Heller & McCoy dated 1/15/2020; Project Narrative dated 1/15/2020; Authorization letters from Grace Harriot Roberts authorizing American Industries, Inc. to file an application and American Industries, Inc. authorizing the law firm of Heller, Heller & McCoy and the engineering/surveying firm of Boundaries, LLC to represent its interest in conjunction with the application; State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) Activity Reporting Form; Stormwater Management Report dated January 2020 from Demian Sorrentino of Boundaries, LLC; USGS Topographic Map; and Soil Scientist Report dated January 2020. Attorney Harry Heller presented the application on behalf of American Industries for property located at 609 Sterling Road. H. Heller stated the property is located on the south side of Sterling Road and is actually made up of two parcels which are bifurcated by the old rail line and borders the Mossup River. The proposal is to excavate on Parcel 2. The prior permit included access over the Rails to Trial Line, but the State of Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection has since revoked that license. Further research has revealed two crossings are deeded to the owner to access the property. The proposed crossing would require a disturbance of approximately 2,400 square feet of regulated inland wetlands. J. Theroux stated the applicant submitted a complete application. Chairman Gibson stated the area has wetland disturbance and considers this a significant activity which requires a public hearing. J. Mossner made a motion, seconded by B. Herman, due to significant disturbance to the wetland area to move the discussion to a public meeting to be scheduled next month on Thursday, 2/27/2020 at 7:00 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion.

b. Consider & Act on 2020 Schedule of Meetings: R. McLevy made a motion, seconded by J. Mossner to approve the 2020 Meeting Schedule. All voted in favor of the motion.

c. Election of Officers: Nominations were open for the positions of Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Secretary. B. Herman made a motion, seconded by R. McGarry to retain the current slate of officers. There were no objections and no nominations. All voted in favor of the motion. The following is the slate of officers for 2020: Roger Gibson, Chairman; Jennifer Mossner, Vice Chairman; and Richard McGarry, Secretary.

Agents Reports:

1. Violations: No new violations.
 2. Other Issues: None
 3. Charles W. Corson, Jr. 627 Bailey Road – Disturbance within Wetlands (Assessor’s Map 03459-037-0003): J. Theroux stated he is monitoring and there continues to be no activity.
- Adjournment:** J. Mossner made a motion, seconded by R. McGarry to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion.

Attest: _____
Patricia Ball, Recording Secretary

Attest: _____
Richard McGarry, Secretary