Call to Order: The monthly meeting of the Sterling Inland Wetland and Watercourses Commission (IW&WC) was called to order at 6:10 p.m. by Roger Gibson.
Other members' present - Richard McGarry, James Hawkins, Jr., and Jen Mossner.
Members' absent - Brad Herman, Robert McLevy, Kimberly Gunn.
Staff present - Link Cooper, Joseph Theroux, and Suzanne Krodel.
Others Present – Town Attorney Mike Zizka
Audience of Citizens: None
Additions to Agenda: None
Approval of Minutes: R. McGarry made a motion to approve the monthly meeting minutes of 1/27/2022, seconded by J. Mossner. All in favor, motion passed.
Correspondence: None
Unfinished Business:

a.   Application by Adler Bros. Construction, Inc. for Inland Wetland Permit for the Excavation of Sand and Gravel for Property Located at 0 Jencks Road – Lots 28 & 29: R. Gibson noticed the narrative talked about ground water and the water table 6' to 15' and basin being dug out from 15' to 20' and at time water will be in the bottom. J. Theroux stated that the lowest grade is 448' at bottom where cut will be. Currently it is 468' and no discharge as it will be 20' lower, excavation is 20' lower than existing grade and it won't be a discharge, it will be a bowl. R. Gibson noted most of the work is outside 100' of wetlands. One suggested correction is that under soil erosion and sediment control notes #3 it states Rhode Island standards, and it should be Connecticut. Mr. Adler stated that some of the property is in Rhode Island but will add Connecticut standards too. R. Gibson also stated that #4 grass mixture is more for lawns and there are different mixtures for embankments, conservation mixes and shared this information with Mr. Adler. He recommended jute netting vs polypropylene because animals get caught in it. Site inspections were also discussed which is usually done by the contractor's engineers. J. Theroux stated inspections should be done during the initial stripping of the land, during stumping and removing of topsoil. A condition of approval can require regular inspections to be done and provide a report, usually weekly or after a significant storm event of ½" of rain or more. J. Mossner made a motion, seconded by R. McGarry to approve the application with conditions, (1) regular inspections with written reports specifically during the initial phases of stripping of land and sediment control measures to be put in place, then afterwards weekly written reports and after major significant storm events, (2) change polypropylene netting to jute netting and (3) use grass like mixture to a similar conservation mix used for the northeast. All in favor, motion passed.

J. Mossner made a motion, second by R. McGarry to move item #10 Executive Session to Discuss Pending Litigation for 191 Snake Meadow Hill Road to item #6 and to enter executive session.

J. Mossner amended the motion, seconded by R. McGarry to move item #10 Executive Session to Discuss Pending Litigation for 191 Snake Meadow Hill Road to item #6 and to enter executive session and invite First Selectman, Link Cooper. All in favor, motion passed.

Executive Session to Discuss Pending Litigation for 191 Snake Meadow Hill Road
Commission members J. Mossner, R. Gibson, R. McGarry, J. Hawkins, Attorney Mike Zizka, L. Cooper, and staff J. Theroux and S. Krodel entered executive session at 6:23pm.

J. Mossner made a motion, seconded by R. McGarry to come out of executive session at 7:35pm. All in favor, motion passed.
New Business: None
Agents Reports:
1.   Violations: None

2.   **Other Issues:** None
3.   **Michael Larcher/Tina Rowe, 0 Sterling Road (Route 14):**   J. Theroux reported no updates.
4.   **Filmar Colato – 84 Sawmill Hill Road:** J. Theroux stated that nothing is happening now until the Spring.

Any Other Business to Come Before the Commission: None

Adjournment: J. Mossner made a motion, seconded by R. McGarry to adjourn at 7:38 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion.

Attest: ____*Suzanne Krodel*_____

Suzanne Krodel, Recording Secretary

Attest: _____

Richard McGarry, Secretary