

TOWN OF SHARON
Inland Wetland & Watercourse Commission
PO Box 385, 63 Main Street, Sharon, CT 06069

Draft minutes until approved at next regular meeting

December 12, 2016

Chairman Ed Kirby called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 PM with the following members in attendance: Jim Krissel, Mike Dudek, Larry Rand, Sharon Tingley, William Trowbridge and Alternate Robin Zitter. Also present: Gary Ocain. Site visits were conducted Saturday with Kirby, Krissel, Dudek, Rand, Tingley, Trowbridge and Zitter with no action taken. The Chair and Clerk Casey visited other sites during the month. The Agenda, as posted, was reviewed and with the addition of 4c. Replacement Septic at 2 Hall Road, it was approved and taken in order via motions of Rand/Tingley. The minutes of the previous meeting stood approved as presented.

2. Communications: None

3. Old Business: a) Harold Hoyt, *2 West Cornwall Road – application for construction of an outside pavilion*: This application had been tabled for additional information which was received, in writing, from the owner. Mr. Dudek also made a site visit with the owner. Gutters will be installed on the structure for run off and the owner confirmed that there are only 4 post holes. Motions of Dudek/Krissel approved the amended application with all in favor.

4. New Business: a) Gary Ocain presented two applications on behalf of the *Culver Family et al for timber harvesting at West Woods Road #1 and West Woods Road #2*. The West Woods Road #1 area was a site visit as it proposed wetland crossings and significant areas of wetlands. Mr. Ocain stated he had done a similar project on this property about 30 years ago. He will be working with Curtis Rand on both parcels. The proposed entrance to the property is tender, and swamp mats will be used to protect the area – there is a temporary bridge for the stream crossing. All are noted on the site plan provided with the application. He agreed to place staked haybales where needed for additional erosion protection. Hemlock and ash will be cut. A solid canopy will be left in the hillside area of Mill Brook– with only some areas near to be opened up for regeneration of oak. This job will be conducted when there is snow – and hopefully frozen ground. Brown's Mill – an historic gristmill is on site and must be protected as per other regulations. This information will be passed to the P&Z Commission by Member Rand as is the procedure. Although the activity is 'as of right' under agriculture, motions of Krissel/Rand approved the proposed work with the suggested use of erosion control and mats as described. All were

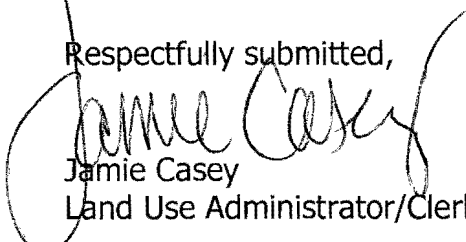
in favor. b) *Timber Harvesting on West Woods Road #2 – Culver Family et al:* Mr. Ocain showed the site map and explained the property – which does have some wetlands on the southern edge, but will not be accessed nor is timbering proposed in that area. The access way to the work is already in place. With all questions answered, this project was also approved via motions of Krissel/Rand with all in favor. It was recommended that mats also be used if needed on this parcel. Mr. Ocain is to notify the office prior to the work commencing.

c) *Replacement of a cesspool with a septic system at 2 Hall Road* owned by Roger Lourie was a site visit. Testing was conducted last week showing a suitable area of a 1250 concrete tank and leeching fields of pipe and stone. This was a site visit. There was concern at the site, as it appeared that several trees would be removed. Clerk Casey will check with the installer. Motions of Dudek/Tingley approved the application with the placement of double-staked haybales as shown on the site plan. All were in favor.

The Board of Selectmen is reviewing the current Town Ordinances and requested input from Commissions. The ordinances were sent last month to all members for review. The only outstanding question/concern was with the preservation of historic and architectural features, which is regulated under P&Z regulations and not in SIWWC regulations. It was decided that this regulation did not need to be included in any revision of the Town Ordinances. There were no other concerns with the ordinance as written. There is an updated map for Historical and Architectural features at the Sharon Historical Society – and the Clerk will obtain a suitable copy for printing and hanging at Town Hall for reference. The budget will cover any cost of this.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:09 PM via motions of Rand/Krissel with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Jamie Casey
Land Use Administrator/Clerk

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