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**GRISWOLD INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES
CONSERVATION COMMISSION & AQUIFER PROTECTION AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING
GRISWOLD TOWN HALL**

**APPROVED MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 15, 2016**

I. Regular Meeting (7:30 P.M.)

1. Call to Order

Chairman Courtland Kinnie called this regular meeting of the Griswold Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Conservation Commission to order on September 15 at 7:33 p.m.

2. Roll Call & Determination of Quorum

Present: Courtland Kinnie, Robert Parrette, Clarence (Pete) Merrill, Lawrence Laidley, Gary Serdechny, Glen Norman, Alternate Kevin Franklin, Town Planner Mario Tristany, WEO Peter Zvingilas, Recording Secretary Donna Szall

Absent: Edward (Jay) Waitte, Alternates Lauren Churchill, Alex Grzelak,

C. Kinnie appointed K. Franklin to sit for J. Waitte. There was a quorum for this regular meeting.

3. Written Comments

There were no written comments.

4. Approval of the Minutes

A. Approval of minutes for the July 21, 2016 meeting.

C. Kinnie asked for a motion to approve the minutes. R. Parrette stated that the July minutes had not been approved. He explained that those minutes were tabled to this month. C. Kinnie stated that there needs to be a minimum number of votes to approve minutes only that there must be a quorum for the meeting. There was discussion of this matter

MOTION: R. Parrette moved to approve the minutes of the July 21, 2016. P. Merrill seconded the motion. All were in favor the motion was carried.

C. Kinnie asked for the approval of the August 18, 2016 minutes.

MOTION: R. Parrette moved to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2016 with the noted changes. P. Merrill seconded the motion. P. Merrill noted a change to second paragraph reads president should read precedent. P. Merrill stated that the comment of not deterring people from getting permits because the drawings. All were in favor the motion was carried; second page reads the pond is bond dry, should read bone.

5. Matter Presented for Consideration

There were no new applications

6. Additional Business (New Applications)

A. CC 01-17 DAN MACKIN, 5 CHINAGO ROAD, GRISWOLD, CT. Applicant desires to replace an existing wooden bridge with a Steel Frame Flat Bed with a Wooden Deck on large concrete blocks, install conduits for water line and electrical line, install rip-rap and filter fabric for erosion control.

C. Kinnie stated that this was before the commission last month and that there was substantial discussion and that there should be additional information or measurements and additional drawings. C. Kinnie asked if there was someone to represent the applicant. Dan Mackin was present

R. Parrette asked about the proposed trench from the house to the bridge area that the water lines will be repaired. D. Mackin stated that he wanted to run a new water line and power line. R. Parrette stated that the lines are drawn on the photograph.

C. Kinnie asked if D. Mackin had to replace the water line and the power line to this well. D. Mackin explained that the power line is exposed in places above ground and below the ground. He stated that the trench will be located four feet from the property line since he isn't sure where the septic system is and he will replace the old well line in the same trench. He stated that by the bridge he will put an extra water line and power line. C. Kinnie stated that the stream is bone dry now.

R. Parrette asked if he was going through the stream bed or under the proposed bridge deck. D. Mackin stated that he was going to dig under the ground while it is dry.

K. Franklin asked about Orangeburg pipe. D. Mackin explained that Orangeburg pipe was used years ago. P Z stated that it is like an asphalt pipe made layers and pressed together. K. Franklin asked if the water and power lines will go around the pond and then stubbing it. D. Mackin stated that he would put an upright with an outlet and spigot.

G. Serdechny arrived at 7:48 pm.

R. Parrette asked P. Zvingilas if there will be updated drawings when he is done with this for the future. P. Zvingilas stated that he doesn't have any drawing. D. Mackin stated that he will do an as-built sketch. K. Franklin asked if he knew the location of the property line for the trench. D. Mackin stated yes, that property is all staked out. C. Kinnie asked if the pond was dry no. D. Mackin stated that the pond is up and it never drops.

C. Kinnie asked for other questions.

MOTION: L. Laidley moved to approve CC 01-17 with the proper erosion and sedimentation control measures in place and the "As Built" to be presented after construction. R. Parrette seconded the motion. K. Franklin asked what was meant by an as-built and if it required a surveyor. M. Tristany explained that it is a drawing like they do with the septic system location when building a house. There was discussion of this matter. There were 5 aye votes and 1 abstention by G. Serdechny. The motion was carried.

7. Reports from the Enforcement Officer

P. Zvingilas stated that he looked at 207 Glasgo Road for proposed work on the beach area on the pond to remove trees. He stated that you have copies of the photographs. He stated that he is asking the commission to review this proposed work due to the extent of the work that is being proposed. He stated that the property owner is present to explain what he plans to do.

A. J. Rounbehler, 207 Sheldon Road, explained that he was proposing to remove all of trees at the pond shown in the photographs. He wants to remove the bank in order to expand the current beach which is located in the corner bordering the soccer field. P. Merrill asked where his boundary lines were. A. J. Rounbehler showed the commission the location of the boundary lines. P. Zvingilas explained that the town put a swale on his property when they built the recreation in order field to divert water from the playing field. P. Zvingilas stated that his concern was that the trees he wants to remove are substantial. A. J. Rounbehler explained that the huge pine tree and some other trees were damaged in a storm. R. Parrette asked how much of the bank to be removed. A. J. Rounbehler said approximately 30 feet. C. Kinnie stated that in the past, waterfront properties were required to have only a 30 foot beach area. L. Laidley stated that if the beach is 12 feet; it can be expanded 18 feet more.

P. Zvingilas stated he was concerned that if he removes all the trees since those root systems protect the bank from scouring; and if they are removed, they should be replaced with something to protect the bank. C. Kinnie suggested some kind of natural vegetation.

A. J. Rounbehler stated that he will measure 30 feet and remove the big pine and keep the other trees to hold the bank. L. Laidley asked what the maximum amount of sand could be brought in. P. Zvingilas stated that that area is a sandy base and he didn't think that additional sand would need to be brought in. A. J Rounbehler stated that

there are two stumps that begin the bank that he wants to remove. C. Kinnie asked about the swale location and asked where the beach was in relation to the swale. P. Zvingilas stated that the swale ends at the beach. A. J. Rounbehler explained that the swale stops, the land flattens out and water goes over and into the ground to the pond. He stated that he has not seen any erosion from that swale. P. Zvingilas stated that the base is sand in that area.

A. J. Rounbehler stated that he could make the beach area larger into the property away from the pond. R. Parrette asked who would do the work. He stated that he will have someone cut the trees and he will cut up the trees and rent an excavator to remove the stumps and the rest of the work.

C. Kinnie stated that one of the conditions of doing work on the pond during this historic draw down to allow for maintenance

M. Tristany read Section 4.1 d of the Inland Wetland regulations regarding deposition of material no more than 5 cubic yards in answer to a question posed earlier by L. Laidley. There was discussion of this matter.

Glen Norman arrived at 8:10 p.m.

C. Kinnie suggested that A. J. Rounbehler stake out the area where the beach will be for width and depth to be reviewed by P. Zvingilas prior to starting work. A. J. Rounbehler stated that he will measure 30 feet and removed only the one tree. C. Kinnie stated no sand will go in the water to expand the beach. A. J. Rounbehler asked if what type of sand mattered if it needed to be added. P. Zvingilas stated that when those roots are removed, you will have more than enough sand for the beach area.

P. Zvingilas told A. J. Rounbehler to complete an application and to bring to him and he will approve it administratively. R. Parrette stated that P. Zvingilas will check the area that will be staked out and he will go over the erosion and sedimentations controls with Mr. Rounbehler for the beach and to work back towards the house. P. Zvingilas suggested that where the trees are staying, that rip rap should be added to stabilize the change in elevation. C. Kinnie suggested adding grass seed as well. R. Parrette stated no tree cutting until P. Zvingilas sees it.

Dan Mackin made the comment that in the pond which is empty now, there are dead trees that are standing trees and can be a hazard to someone who jumps or falls into the pond. He suggested that they should be cut down to make the area safer. A. J. Rounbehler stated that there were four dead trees at his property; he can cut them down and winch them up out on to the shore. There was discussion of this matter. C. Kinnie stated that this could be brought to the attention of BOS to see if DPW can do something.

8. Old Business

There was no old business.

9. New Business

There was no new business.

10. Communications

There were no communications.

11. Reports from Members

L. Laidley stated that the J. C. Electric Company has silted the streambed on Slater Avenue. There was discussion of this matter.

12. Conservation Commission Matters

C. Kinnie stated that in last month's minutes, the commission decided not to do another clean up on Glasgo Pond because of all the vegetative growth would make it hard to see debris.

C. Kinnie stated that within a few months, the State will remove the car that is in the pond before they leave. He stated that there is an old wagon chassis at the dam; this should be removed as well. There was discussion of this matter. He asked that he would like the commission to be informed when the State will remove the car, with the date and time

L. Laidley asked about the stone bridge beneath the Sheldon Road Bridge and P. Merrill stated that he looked at it a few weeks ago and it seemed to be doing well and that he would like to see that concrete be used to stabilize this bridge.

13. Adjournment

C. Kinnie asked for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION: R. Parrette moved to adjourn. L. Laidley seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

III. Aquifer Protection Agency

This meeting was cancelled for lack of business.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Szall
Recording Secretary