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**GRISWOLD INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES
CONSERVATION COMMISSION &
AQUIFER PROTECTION AGENCY**

**REGULAR MEETING
APPROVED MINUTES**

JANUARY 15, 2015

GRISWOLD TOWN HALL

III. Aquifer Protection Agency

1. Call to Order

Chair Courtland Kinney called this regular meeting of the Aquifer Protection Agency to order on January 15, 2015 at 9:03p.m.

2. Roll Call & Determination of a Quorum

Present: Courtland Kinnie, Robert Parrette, Stacie Stadnicki, Lawrence Laidley, Lauren Churchill, Clarence (Pete) Merrill, Town Planner Mario Tristany

Also present: Peter Parents, CME, Town Attorneys Mark Branse and Eliza Heinz representing the Town of Griswold

Absent: Edward (Jay) Waitte, Glen Norman, Gary Serdechny, WEO Peter Zvingilas, Recording Secretary Donna Szall

C. Kinnie appointed L. Churchill to sit for G. Norman and P. Merrill to sit for J. Waite. There was a quorum for this public hearing.

3. Matters Presented for Discussion

- A.** Discussion of and updates from DEEP regarding one outstanding registrant including complaints from neighbors received by DEEP Aquifer Protection Agency Program (APA Program) and any updates from Town attorney and/or registrant's attorney.

C. Kinnie asked for updates from DEEP. M. Tristany stated that there have been no updated reports from DEEP. He stated that he left a message with Kim at the Aquifer Protection Agency for anything new; he has not heard back from her. He will follow up next week.

C. Kinnie asked if there were any updates from the registrant. Harry Heller, representing American Industries, that at your last meeting, we told you that we would file a complete registration at this meeting. He submitted what he thinks is a complete registration: there are 3 registration applications, two copies of the Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures Plan which is the materials handling plan required by your regulations and The Storm Water Registration. H. Heller stated that in conducting his research, the Aquifer Protection Regulations are not in effect and they were never filed by the Griswold Town Clerk. H. Heller stated that we are filing the registration application so that when the regulations are filed with the town clerk, we are within the 180 day registration period.

C. Kinnie asked staff regarding this statement. M. Tristany stated that learned about that issued when speaking with M. Branse. He was not the planner when those regulations were adopted. He stated that those regulations have been filed with the town clerk today. M. Branse stated that if they were filed, there is no harm in filing them again. He stated that when things are filed on the land records they are filed there forever. He stated that with things like minutes and regulations, the clerk only stamps them in but they don't get a volume and page unless there is a memo to the clerk requesting that the item be filed. He stated that this is a common problem. He suggested that there be a stamped copy in the land use files. He stated that none of the towns have been able to enforce the 180 day registration time period.

M. Tristany stated that he will contact Carl Fontneau if he recalls filing the regulations. L. Laidley suggested calling the former town clerk, Ellen Dupont. He stated that the zoning regulations are stored in a vertical file. There was discussion of this matter.

C. Kinnie asked that since it has been filed, he asked if the clock can start the date of receipt tonight or next month. H. Heller stated that the clock can start tonight.

C. Kinnie read through the items that are check in Part IV: Facility Information- Regulated Activities of American Industries registration application for the record: Item A Underground storage or transmission of oil or petroleum, B Oil or petroleum dispensing for the purpose of retail, wholesale or fleet use, D Repair or maintenance of vehicles or internal combustion engines of vehicles, E Salvage operations of metal or vehicle parts, F Wastewater discharges to ground water other than domestic sewage and stormwater, G Car or truck washing (unsewered), H Production or refining of chemicals, (CC), Manufacture of Bituminous concrete (DD) Processing of Earth Products, (EE) Processing of Recycled Asphalt Product.

C. Kinnie asked H. Heller if those were the activities that are covered on that site. H. Heller stated yes and that in DEEP's review, they characterize bituminous operation as the production or refining of chemicals and this was added specifically to make that clear that was what was going on. S. Stadnicki asked if there were any other chemicals being manufactured. H. Heller stated no. other than the manufacturing occurring on the property is the production of bituminous concrete and the processing or recycled asphalt products which are the millings coming up of the highway when they repave. C. Kinnie stated that there was interest in setting a site walk to see where these activities were being conducted. He asked the applicant if this was amenable. H. Heller stated yes and requested that the commission defer setting the site walk to next month's meeting to give us an opportunity to address some of the things identified and what was seen at the inland wetlands site walk. He stated that we have been proceeding with DEEP and EPA since last spring to address the deficiencies of their inspections of the property; those are nearing completion now. M. Branse suggested that since this is a registration and is a grandfathering if you have been operating for five years. He stated that the Spill Prevention and Countermeasures Plan and the Stormwater Discharge plan are very technical and that your regulations allow you to ask for additional information in these plans. He suggested that those plans be reviewed by the Town Engineer to determine if there is a need for additional information; and if you have the engineer's review by the site walk, he may recommend that you watch for this or check for that. C. Kinnie asked for a motion to forward these reports for review.

MOTION: L. Laidley moved to forward the plans to the town's engineer for review. S. Stadnicki seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was carried.

C. Kinnie asked for any other issues that we should address tonight. S. Stadnicki asked if the plan were electronic or hard copy. J. Faulise stated that the Stormwater Discharge Registration Plan is on our web site; the Spill Prevention and Countermeasures Plan (SPCC Plan is available electronically and this can be submitted electronically. M. Tristany stated that it can be put on a CD to go out with the agendas. C. Kinnie asked J. Faulise to get that information in CD form as soon as possible. J. Faulise stated that he will.

C. Kinnie asked if there was anything else that members would like to see addressed before the next meeting.

4. Adjournment

C. Kinnie asked for a motion to adjourn.

L. Laidley moved to adjourn. S. Stadnicki seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Szall
Recording Secretary