MINUTES – SPECIAL MEETING, SITE WALK
SEYMOUR INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 20 2018 5:30 PM
46-100 ROOSEVELT DRIVE, SEYMOUR CONNECTICUT

Members in Attendance: Paul Wetowitz, James Forsyth, Bob Koskelowski, Tim Connors, Mike Flynn, PJ Weitzler (Alt.)
Also Present: Tony Mavuli, Jim Baldwin, Zach Georgina, Mike Marcinek, Brian Nesteriak

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Paul Wetowitz at 5:35 pm.

1. 46 – 100 Roosevelt Drive, vineyard – Site walk and discussion.

Zach Georgina, Juliano Associates, conducted the walk and talked about the present condition of the watercourse and the immediate surrounding grounds around the watercourse. He showed and explained the rock and hay bale check dams in the watercourse. He showed and explained the silt in the watercourse. This included the small pond that is part of the watercourse. We also observed the present amount of grape plantings on the southern side and how grass has grown on this south side. We walked the length of the stream from Roosevelt Drive up to almost the top of the stream. He showed and explained the erosion control steps that have been taken in this area. We also walked and observed both sides of the stream. The northern part of the property has overgrown with many plants and bushes.

Mike Marcinek from Fletcher Thompson also briefly discussed the proposals of what the next phase 2 and application to us maybe about.

Potential problems we observed included some of the soil control erosion fencing being installed backwards and not installed into the ground. There were some spaces under this fencing. Also, we observed and discussed bare ground areas on the northern upper level near the stream. It was explained that seed and hay was laid down but birds removed a lot of the seeds and hay. We noticed several large piles of cut trees. There was also an area that had some refuse. Brian Nesteriak recommended that these areas be addressed and proactive steps be taken to improve these situations.

During the walk around commissioners asked questions and they were answered either by Mr. Georgina or Marcinek.

Zach indicated they are proposing that the Commission lift the cease and desist order and approve their plan to remediate and improve the immediate areas on both sides of the stream for the winter time. This includes substantially improving erosion controls, the planting of grass and other plantings and reducing the slope in selected steep areas. The repairing of check dams and the removing of others were also discussed. The intent is to conduct these activities before
winter time sets in so the area around the stream is stable for the winter time. Since, this is only a site walk no decision will be made at this meeting.

2. Commissioner’s Public Comments

Chairperson Paul Wetowitz indicated that the presentation and discussion of Allen’s proposed project on Silvermine Road will be tabled at the next meeting. This was in agreement with their attorney Dominic Thomas. More information and review is still necessary. No other commissioner had any comments.

3. Adjournment

Mike Flynn made a motion to adjourn and Bob Koskelowski seconded it. Motion carried 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m. by Chairperson Paul Wetowitz

Respectfully submitted by:

Paul Wetowitz

PW