CONSERVATION AND INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION

TOWN OF DEEP RIVER, CONNECTICUT

Town Hall

174 Main Street Deep River, Connecticut 06417

A *regular meeting* of the *Deep River Conservation and Inland Wetlands Commission* held on Thursday, June 11, 2015 at the Deep River Town Hall was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Miezejeski. Members present: George Atwood, Alan Miezejeski, Michael Tomlinson, Alternate Tanner Steeves, Alternate/WEO Mark Reyher. Absent: Susan Board, John Dube, Ron Larsen, Carol Libby. Also present: Nancy Howard, Chuck Hedge, and John Mason. Chairman seated Tanner Steeves for absent member Ron Larsen and Mary Reyher for absent member Susan Board.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u>: A motion was made by Tanner Steeves and seconded by Mike Tomlinson to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 14, 2015 with the addition of a/k/a Green Acres after Plains Road (5-0) Voted Unanimously.

A motion was made by George Atwood and seconded by Mike Tomlinson to add two items under New Business for Chuck Hedge and John Mason. (5-0) Voted Unanimously.

<u>Chuck Hedge, 46 Meadow Woods Road (Map 70, Lot 5)</u>: Chuck Hedge presented a proposed amendment to an active permit, No. 4-13 issued in 2013 for construction of a garage. The new proposal is to move the proposed garage next to the house. The driveway access will be paved. The new location of the garage will be 50 feet from Meadow Woods Road and approximately 80-85 feet from the wetlands. The lawn is terraced. Mr. Hedge drew in the location of the proposed silt fence at the bottom of the terraced lawn. Mr. Hedge submitted a request for waiver of the application fee as it is excessive in relation to the cost of the town. A motion was made by Mark Reyher and seconded by Tanner Steeves to waive the application fee based on Section 11.7 fee for the minor change. Voted Unanimously. A motion was made by Tanner Steeves and seconded by Mike Tomlinson to approve the modification to the permit of Chuck Hedge as explained in terms of moving the garage closer to the house and subject to the same stipulations on the original permit. (5-0) Voted Unanimously.

<u>Robert Garthwaite, 7 Main Street</u>: John Mason was present on behalf of Robert Garthwaite to discuss a proposal to finish the foundation of an existing old building on the property at 7 Main Street. Mr. Mason noted that the building is currently lifted with cribbing in place. Five rows of blocks need to installed to finish the foundation. He noted that one row of blocks would be installed in one day; blocks would be installed every other day to allow the concrete to set. The structure is located right on the stream. No earth disturbance is proposed. The activity is proposed to be completed by hand from inside the structure. No machinery will be used. Commission members noted no concern of placement of staging in the water for a short period of time, or no longer than two weeks, if it is necessary. Mr. Mason noted that the concrete will be fixed in pales and then cabled inside the building. A motion was made by Mike Tomlinson and seconded by George Atwood to determine that the activity does not require a permit; the activity is as of right as there is no grading or soil disturbance. (5-0) Voted Unanimously. Mr. Mason agreed to remain in contact with WEO Reyher on the status of the project.

William Burdick, 128 Union Street (Map 51, Lot 29): An application by William Burdick was accepted at the May meeting for the purpose of installation of a 12' x 16' storage shed within 100 feet of wetlands on property at 128 Main Street. A revised drawing was received adjusting the angle of the building. A

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motion was made by Mike Tomlinson and seconded by George Atwood to approve the application by William Burdick as presented and subject to the following conditions: (a) The Wetlands Enforcement Officer shall be notified prior to the start of work; (b) Erosion and sedimentation control measures shall be placed, if necessary, in accordance with direction by the Wetlands Enforcement Officer. (5-0) Voted Unanimously.

<u>Enforcement</u>: WEO Mark Reyher noted that he reviewed preliminary reports for activities that did not involve wetlands and no permits were necessary. The activities were for two pools, prefabricated garage, construction of pole barn, and shed.

WEO Reyher distributed copies to members of an article entitled "Recognize Conflicts of Interest" taken from "The Riggins Rules, #9" by Fred Riggins.

A motion was made by George Atwood and seconded by Mark Reyher to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. (5-0) Voted Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted Nancy Howard Recording Secretary