

**Town of Warren  
Inland Wetlands & Conservation Commission  
Site Walk Meeting Minutes – July 31, 2023**

The Special Meeting- site walk of the Inland Wetlands and Conservation Commission was called to order by the Chairman John Favreau at 6:09 pm on Monday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023. Members present were Nancy Binns, Tara Tanner, Tom Caldwell, and Cindy Shook. Absent member was the alternate Kit Lundberg. Janell Mullen was present as the Town of Warren's Wetlands Enforcement Officer. Members of the public included Brian Neff, PE; Jason Martinelli of Sunshine Excavation, Property Owner Sara Brandon of Washington, CT and her father Gary Brandon of St Simons, Georgia.

The setting of the site walk was 67 Rabbit Hill Road (Map 9, Lot 30). The pending application #IWA 23-07-02 was for an after-the-fact culvert installation in an intermittent stream and site-work associated with driveway construction.

The site walk began with a summary of the project by Brian Neff, PE who walked the Commissioners through the site plan "Proposed Site Plan" dated 7/6/2023 revised to 7/18/2023. The group traversed the anti-tracking pad at the entrance of the driveway where they can to an intermittent stream where the work pertinent to the application had been conducted. Brian Neff explained that a 30" collapsed pipe had been replaced with a 30" plastic pipe with riprap rock at the inlet and the outlet. He stated that the pipe had remained stable during the recent heavy rainfalls. Jason Martinelli summarized the site issues that had occurred during the rainstorm on July 16<sup>th</sup>. The silt fence was now staked with haybales along the extent of the driveway.

Chairman John Favreau asked about future trenching that would be necessary to install the electrical conduit that would run up the driveway and pass through the upland review area. Brian Neff explained that it was indicated on the plan and that he would update the plan further to describe the construction sequence associated with its installation. John Favreau also asked about on-site drainage features to assist with the driveway's run-off. The engineer stated that he planned to update the site plan to include a bioswale on both sides of the driveway.

Tara Tanner asked if the drive would eventually be paved or remain as gravel. Sara Brandon, property owner replied, "For now." The plan does indicate future paving. Brian Neff stated that the driveway has been counted towards the impervious coverage calculation.

Janell Mullen asked if they were storing excess haybales on site as back-up should another heavy rain event compromise any section of silt fence or otherwise. Jason Martinelli stated that he would get some.

Sara Brandon pointed out the property line and stated that the surveyor would be out to further stake it.

There were no further questions/discussion points so Tara Tanner motioned to adjourn. Cindy Shook seconded the motion. The site walk was adjourned at 6:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Janell Mullen  
August 2, 2023