

**POMFRET INLAND WETLAND AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2023, MINUTES  
COMMUNITY CENTER**

- 1. OPEN REGULAR MEETING:** Chairman opened the meeting at 7pm.
- 2, ROLL CALL: Present:** P. Safin, D. St. Martin, J. Rowley, J. Folsom, N. McMerriman, W. Gould, A. Howe, R. Brais, J. Rabbitt. **Absent:** J. Stoddard, J. Bergendahl.
- 3, SEAT ALTERNATE(S) AS NEEDED:** A. Howe was seated
- 4. ITEMS TO BE ADDED TO THE AGENDA:** discussion of budget
- 5. PENDING APPLICATION(S):** none
- 6. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:** none
- 7. NEW APPLICATION(S):** none
- 8. NO FEE APPLICATION(S):** none
- 9. NOTICES OF VIOLATION/CEASE AND DESIST ORDERS:**
  - A. Outstanding NOV (Notice of Violation)**

**Deborah/Paul Simpson, 64 Hampton Road** – NOV issued on 1/26/15: see minutes from 1/5/22 for details. Mr. Simpson apologized for not completing the work on time due to his tractor breaking down again. When asked when he felt he could complete the project, he suggested June 1, 2023. W. Gould said this project, based on Mr. Simpson's equipment, could have used alternate ways of completing the project. J. Folsom felt that Mr. Simpson should know by the end of April if he'll be finished or not. He would like Mr. Simpson to come to the May meeting and advise the commission on the status of the project. D. St. Martin said he agrees with John (12/7/22). Waiting for Mr. Simpson to report to the commission at the May 3, 2023 meeting.
- 10. JURISDICTIONAL RULINGS:** none

- 11. AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES:** none
- 12. PRIOR APPLICATIONS WITH CONDITIONS:** Casey property – desedimentation of pond – there is a lot of debris from the pond to be removed.
- 13. SUBDIVISIONS APPROVED BY PLANNING & ZONING: J&D Civil Engineers for Gerald Daigle, 128 Orchard Hill Road,** proposed two lot subdivision for two single-family homes and associated infrastructure. Survey work and stakeout are done. Need to hold a pre-construction meeting.
- 14. COMPLAINTS/CONCERNS RECEIVED BY COMMISSION:** Ryan responded to the complaint about an access road being made on Wrights Crossing Road. He said it is two houses before the Wishart's home. Owner needs access down to the river and took down a couple of trees. Ryan told him that he needs a permit to do this work.
- 15. NEW COMPLAINTS:** Ryan checked out the complaint regarding an excavator on Carter's property. Ryan said the excavation is at the top of a knoll, not near a farm pond. There is still a hole but no wetlands. When speaking with the owner of the excavator, he mentioned removing silt from a farm pond, but there is no access to the property.
- 16. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:** R. Bowen was present and wanted to make sure the commission was aware that he wasn't the person who left all the mess in the road near the Townsend's property. He said that Hull products put in trap rock for the mud. Someone mentioned DOT should make sure there's a tracking pad there - out to the road. (tracking pad does not go all the way to the road – about 8-10 feet from pavement, so they're still tracking mud)
- 17. EXTENSIONS REQUESTED:** none
- 18. COMMISSION BUSINESS:**
- A.** Updates and reports from WEO and commission members. Discussed the regs for forestry. P&Z was not agreeable to changing the regs. The agent at DEEP said they have never received a complaint regarding Pomfret. PP&Z wants Jamie to write a letter to DEEP and tell them if they want to write the regs or change the wording, they're more than welcome to submit an application.
  - B.** Discussion of budget. Jamie read off the sections of the budget. J. Folsom said that adjusting a budget is like trying to budget snow plowing. D. St. Martin agreed with John. P. Safin said he will tell Maureen we will keep a flat budget.
  - C.** Approval of the December 7, 2022, meeting minutes. D. St. Martin made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. J. Rowley seconded. All in favor.
  - D.** Report of billing and bond releases – nothing new
  - E.** Correspondence: P. Safin told the commission that the letter from Solitude Lake Management was regarding Claudia Abbott, 489 Brayman Hollow Road

(Nightingale Pond) for a pond treatment permit. W. Gould requested a copy of the material be sent to him via email.

**F.** By-laws document

**19. ADJOURNMENT:** D. St. Martin made a motion to adjourn. A. Howe seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn L. Krajewski

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