

TOWN OF POMFRET
INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING/MEETING MINUTES (AMENDED)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2018

7:00 PM – POMFRET SENIOR CENTER

In Attendance: Commission Members Paul Safin, John Folsom, William Gould, James Rowley, John Bergendahl. Also present ZEO Ryan Brais, First Selectman Maureen Nicholson, applicant Seth Fortier. Absent: David St. Martin and Nancy McMerriman, absent with notification; and Joe Stoddard.

I. PUBLIC HEARING – CONTINUED

A. Seth Fortier, 194 Covell Road: Two-lot subdivision, residential home, driveway, septic system, well, two (2) wetlands crossing, and minor grading – P. Safin opened Public Hearing at 7:00 PM. Commission member Roll Call as noted in attendance above. David St. Martin, Joseph Stoddard, and Nancy McMerriman not present. James Rabbitt, Staff, not present. John Bergendahl was seated as alternate.– P. Safin noted that this is a continuation of this Public Hearing. Commission reviewed required information that was contained in file. The plans contained were not yet updated nor was the NDDH review and approval contained in the file. Applicant Seth Fortier stated he had spoken with Jamie Rabbitt, who has that information. J. Folsom moved to continue Public Hearing to 7:45 PM to allow time for J. Rabbitt to arrive. W. Gould seconded. All in favor.

II. OPEN REGULAR MEETING – P. Safin opened Regular Meeting at 7:05 PM.

III. ROLL CALL - Commission members present as noted in Public Hearing.

IV. SEAT ALTERNATES AS NEEDED – J. Bergendahl to remain seated.

V. ITEMS TO BE ADDED TO AGENDA – None

VI. PENDING APPLICATIONS

A. Seth Fortier, 194 Covell Road, Two (2) Lot Subdivision

- B. Seth Fortier, 194 Covell Road-Zoning** – Residential home, driveway, septic system, well, two (2) wetlands crossings, and minor grading – Discussion of items A. and B. postponed until after Public Hearing.

VII. CITIZENS COMMENTS - None

VIII. NEW APPLICATIONS

- A. Town of Pomfret, 628 Mashamoquet Road** – Emergency Operations Center, New Facility – M. Nicholson was present to speak to application. Commission reviewed file. Plans were not present. This building is proposed at the site where the Town Garage is located. R. Brais stated that there are no wetlands at this location and Jamie can sign as a jurisdictional ruling. Therefore the Commission need not accept this application. M. Nicholson stated that she will withdraw the application.
- B. Town of Pomfret, 449 Pomfret Street** – New Parking Lot for Pomfret Public Library – M. Nicholson stated that the plans reviewed by the Commission some time ago have been revised. The proposed lot runs along the road and there are now 28 parking spots. The revised plans were not contained in the file. M. Nicholson stated that the revised plans do not encroach upon the wetlands and there will be less fill required. The Town engineer was not comfortable stamping the original plans due to the wetlands encroachment. The revision does not reach the wetlands and allows for more parking spots. Commission members asked about utility lines and run-off. The drainage and lighting will be put in before the lot is paved. As the plans were not currently available the application will be continued to the next meeting.

IX. NON-FEE APPLICATIONS – None

X. NOTICES OF VIOLATIONS AND DESIST ORDERS

A. Outstanding Notices of Violations

- 1. Deborah Simpson, 64 Hampton Road**
- 2. Gayle Champagne, 39 Bosworth Road**

Both items read to record – No update.

XI. JURISDICTIONAL RULINGS – None

XII. AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES – None

XIII. PRIOR APPLICATIONS WITH CONDITIONS

- A. Moon, Peter, et al, 596 Pomfret Street**

B. Hull Forest Products, 101 Hampton Road

Both noted to record. No update.

XIV. SUBDIVISIONS APPROVED PLANNING COMMISSION – None

XV. COMPLAINTS/CONCERNS RECEIVED BY COMMISSION – None

XVI. NEW COMPLAINTS – None

XVII. CITIZENS COMMENTS – None

XVIII. PUBLIC HEARING – RE-OPENED – It was moved and seconded to re-open the Public Hearing for 194 Covell Road at 7:25 PM.

A. Seth Fortier, 194 Covell Road, Two (2) Lot Subdivision, residential home, driveway, septic system, well, two (2) wetlands crossing, and minor grading – Jamie Rabbit was available on speaker phone. He stated that he has spoken with Paul Archer who was not present at the meeting. They are waiting for the NDDH letter. There are plan revisions needed for the two culvert upgrades. A continuation of this Public Hearing will require an extension. Some discussion. Applicant Seth Fortier agreed to an extension to the Public Hearing and agreement was put in writing and added to the file. B. Gould moved to extend the Public Hearing for Seth Fortier, 194 Covell Road, Two (2) lot subdivision to the Regular Meeting date of March 7, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Pomfret Senior Center. J. Bergendahl seconded. All in favor.

XIX. REGULAR MEETING – RE-OPENED

It was moved and duly seconded to add Application at 360 Orchard Hill Road to agenda.

A. James Garceau, 360 Orchard Hill Road. Removal of Trailer and Slab – R. Brais stated that there are no wetlands on this property. The plans have been reviewed and the applicant is requesting that the trailer and pad be removed. This lot is one of a two-lot subdivision. It was advised that if this application is approved it should be with the stipulation that no additional work or encroachment take place. J. Folsom recommended that the application be approved as presented with the conditions that, 1.) No activity takes place on the northern-most lot, and 2.) Activity on the southern lot is only the removal of the slab and trailer and materials must be moved off-site. Motion was duly seconded. All in favor.

XX. COMMISSION BUSINESS

- A. Updates and Report from WEO and Commission Members** – R. Brais, WEO had no updates. P. Safin reported that there is an informational meeting on Thursday, Feb. 8th at 7:00 PM regarding the proposed crossings on the Air Line Trail. There was also some discussion of next year's budget. The consensus was that it would essentially remain flat. P. Safin will review with M. Nicholson.
- B. Approval of the January 3, 2018 Meeting Minutes** – Tabled to next meeting.
- C. Report of Billing and Bond Releases**
 - 1. Pomfret School**
 - 2. List of Bonds being held with Town of Pomfret, Escrow Agent and Putnam Bank**
 - a. Jason B. Lavallee-IWWC New Jurisdictional Ruling**
 - b. Pomfret School-IWWC & P&Z**

No current changes to billing and bond releases.
- D. Correspondence** – None
- E. Search for Alternates for Commission** – The Commission is still searching for two additional alternates.

XXI. ADJOURNMENT - J. Folsom moved to adjourn. Motion duly seconded and meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, temp. clerk

date approved: March 7, 2018