

**POMFRET INLAND WETLAND AND WTAERCOURSES COMMISSION  
MINUTES FOR MAY 3, 2023  
COMMUNITY CENTER**

- 1. OPEN REGULAR MEETING:** Meeting was called to order at 7 pm.
- 2. ROLL CALL:** Present – P. Safin, D. St. Martin, J. Rowley, J. Folsom, J. Stoddard, N. McMerriman, W. Gould, J. Bergendahl, A. Howe, R. Brais, J. Rabbitt, and M. Nicholson.
- 3. SEAT ALTERNATE(S) AS NEEDED:** none
- 4. ITEMS TO BE ADDED TO THE AGENDA:** new jurisdictional ruling application submitted for 25 Searles Road for solar. D. St. Martin made a motion to move the item to Section 7 New Applications. J. Folsom seconded. All in favor.
- 5. PENDING APPLICATIONS:** none
- 6. CITIZEN’S COMMENTS:** none
- 7. NEW APPLICATION(S):**
  - A. Sapp, 25 Searles Road** – application for a solar ground mount installation. Very generic site plan. Insufficient information. Staff will contact applicant. This will go to the June meeting. (Are there wetlands on the property?)
- 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 was present at this meeting to give an update on how the work is progressing. He has brought in the last fill and loam. He needs a month to finish up the project. Ryan said he has seen no changes from the road. Mr. Simpson gave Ryan permission to go on his property anytime. Fence posts are in, but rails are not installed. He will be back before the commission in June.
- 10. JURISDICTIONAL RULINGS:**
  - A. Gerald Daigle, 130 Orchard Hill Road,** application to relocate driveway 20’ to North due to inability to dig down. Curb cut remains the same. Mr. Daigle will update the plans to show the change. Approved.
- 11. AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES:** none

**12. PRIOR APPLICATIONS WITH CONDITIONS:** Jamie informed the commission that Rectory School is buttoning up their project.

**13. SUBDIVISIONS APPROVED BY PLANNING & ZONING:** none

**14. COMPLAINTS/CONCERNS RECEIVED BY COMMISSION:**

**15. NEW COMPLAINTS:** Concern mentioned regarding Babbitt Hill Road where a lot of vegetation and trees have been removed.

J. Stoddard mentioned the pond on Youngs Road being worked on. Ryan told him that work had been permitted.

**16. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:** M. Nicholson spoke to the commission regarding Carter Road and the Reeves property. There was excessive water topping the dam onto the Reeves property (could've been a beaver dam that let go). She showed a video of the marsh at the corner of Carter Road and Rte. 97. The culvert was installed 30 years ago. J. Folsom asked if DEEP was notified of this event. M. Nicholson said she believes the Reeves contacted them. There is a need to make public safety improvements associated with the stream channel. Paul would like to go out and look at this area with the commission members. A special meeting will be called to do a site walk as a commission and have the engineer at the regular meeting afterwards.

**17. EXTENSIONS REQUESTED:** none

**18. COMMISSION BUSINESS:**

- A. Updates and report from WEO and commission members – nothing new
- B. Approval of the April 5, 2023, minutes – D.St. Martin made a motion to approve. J. Rowley seconded. All in favor.
- C. Report of billing and bond releases – nothing new
- D. Correspondence – none
- E. By-laws were distributed. Awaiting any edits that may be necessary. The clerk was asked to send a copy of the original by-laws to compare them to the amended ones.

**19. ADJOURNMENT:** D. St. Martin made a motion to approve. J. Folsom seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn L. Krajewski, Clerk

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_