

**POMFRET INLAND WETLAND AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
MINUTES FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2022, AT 7:00 PM
COMMUNITY CENTER**

- 1. OPEN REGULAR MEETING:** Chairman opened the meeting at 7:00 pm
- 2. ROLL CALL: Present:** P. Safin, D. St. Martin, J. Rowley, J. Folsom, N. McMerriman, W. Gould, J. Bergendahl, A. Howe, R. Brais, and J. Rabbitt.
Absent: J. Stoddard and L. Shaw.
- 3. SEAT ALTERNATE(S) AS NEEDED:** J. Bergendahl and A. Howe were seated.
- 4. ITEMS TO BE ADDED TO THE AGENDA:** none
- 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 was present and spoke on this issue. He apologized for not completing the work on time. His tractor broke down again. He might be able to have more loam and be able to plant grass in April. He said there is only about 3/5 of the area left to do. Jamie said we're heading in the right direction, but we're not done yet. P. Safin asked for a date when he might be finished. P. Simpson said June 1st, 2023. W. Gould said this project, based on Mr. Simpson's equipment, could of used alternate ways of completing the project. J. Folsom said 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 (12/7/2022).
- 10. JURISDICTIONAL RULINGS:** none

At this point in the meeting, Alex was unseated as one of the regular members arrived at the meeting.

11. AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES: none

12. PRIOR APPLICATIONS WITH CONDITIONS: The Casey property has installed a silt fence backed by wood chips. P. Safin said the E&S is up and nothing is going anywhere.

13. SUBDIVISIONS APPROVED BY PLANNING & ZONING: none (P&Z was still in the process of reviewing Daigle subdivision)

14. COMPLAINTS/CONCERNS RECEIVED BY COMMISSION: J. Rowley mentioned that on Wrights Crossing Road, someone is putting in an access road.

15. NEW COMPLAINTS:

J. Rowley said it was brought to his attention (when driving by) of an excavator on Carter's property (east side) on Babbitt Hill. He took some photos and showed them to the commission members. There is definite digging going on. Ryan will check it out. Ryan reached out to the property owners. That property is under conservation easement. The excavation at the top of the hill needs to be filled back in and regraded, etc. (violation of the conservation easement).

16. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: W. Gould mentioned that on Rte. 244 (Brayman Hollow and Angel Road) there is a logging operation going on. They took out everything (it's the first red house on the right). There is always a mountain of logs approximately 15-20 feet high. Bill then showed the commission how well his approved permit worked.

17. EXTENSIONS REQUESTED: none

18. COMMISSION BUSINESS:

- A.** Updates and reports from WEO and commission members. Jamie mentioned the farm pond/Rectory is still under construction. P. Safin filled Ryan in on Mr. Simpson's conversation with the commission. Ryan is going to check out the harvest for Abbott's property. P. Safin also mentioned that we are coming into budget season, so we need to put discussion on the January agenda.
- B.** Approval of the November 2 2022, meeting minutes. J. Folsom made a motion to approve as amended. N. McMerriman seconded. Motion passed. There was one abstention.
- C.** Report of billing and bond releases – nothing new
- D.** Correspondence: none
- E.** By-laws document has been amended/updated. J. Folsom asked if the commission had to approve, and Paul said yes.

F. Election of Officers: this was postponed from the November 2, 2022 meeting. J. Folsom made a motion to keep the existing officers in their positions. J. Bergendahl seconded. The motion passed.

19. ADJOURNMENT: J. Folsom made a motion to adjourn. J. Rowley seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn L. Krajewski, Clerk

Dated: _____