

**Inland Wetlands Commission**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**January 28, 2013, 2014**  
**Minutes**

The Bolton Inland Wetlands Commission held its regular meeting on January 28, 2014 at the Bolton Town Hall. Members in attendance were Chairman James Loersch, Ross Lally, Jane Darico, Maryanne Edwards and new member Holly McDonald. Also present was Inland Wetlands Agent Barbara Kelly. The meeting was called to order by James Loersch at 7:02 P.M.

**1. Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Ross Lally, seconded by Maryanne to approve the agenda as presented. All members voted yes, motion passed.

**2. New Business**

**A. Milton Hathaway- Status Update and discussion of Bolton Notch Pond and repairs to the Bolton Notch Pond Dam and the Railroad Brook Wetlands Permit**

Milton Hathaway of 40 Notch Road came before the Commission to discuss the Bolton Pond, its dam and Railroad Brook at the North end of Bolton Pond. Mr. Hathaway sent a letter to the Board of Selectmen on August 29, 2013 about the dam and erosion of the brook but as still not heard anything yet. Mr. Hathaway had also contacted the State and DEEP Commission and the Inland Wetland Committee. Mr. Hathaway would like to have the dam ungraded which would allow for greater storage in the pond and would provide better flow control at the outlet, reducing the high flow rate that currently is occurring. Barbara stated she had requested more information from the DEEP about the dam, but after further review found more evaluation is needed because of higher amounts of water coming into the pond.

**B. Lawrence Pesce-Preliminary Discussion of Potential 2-Lot Subdivision on Loomis Road**

Andrew Bushnell, Civil Engineer from Bushnell Associates addressed the Commission about creating another lot on Larry Pesce's 44 acres. The proposed lot would be 3 ½ acres. Andrew Bushnell has run several deep hole soil test, the property is acceptable for a septic field. Mr. Bushnell also told the Commission there were a few wetlands on the property. He stated the house would be positioned on the property so to cause the least impact to the land. He also stated the driveway would be gravel to minimize runoff. Mr. Bushnell came before the Commission to get feedback and see what other actions are required.

Chairman Loersch suggested moving the sewer outfall pipe further from the Wetlands. Maryanne Edwards inquired if Mr. Pesce had any plans of putting landscaping plantings back after clearing the area around the house for construction. Mr. Bushnell stated the property would be stabilized with lawn area 25 feet around the house. James Loersch asked Mr. Bushnell if the pond on the property was manmade, he replied yes but the

swamp on the property is natural. Ross also asked that stock piling any material while excavating should be shown on the plan.

### **C. Public Comment**

A motion was made by Ross Lally, seconded by Maryanne Edwards to move public comment on the agenda from 4 to 2.C. The motion passed.

Peter Wilkends, 19 A Clark Road came before the Commission to also discuss Bolton Notch Pond and the dam. He felt that the pond should stay and not be drained.

### **D. Regulation Review Discussion**

Chairman Loersch stated that the Commission should review their current regulations and see if anything needs to be changed. Chairman Loersch acknowledged the state of Connecticut has a model for regulations and the Commission could follow the state model more closely. Barbara also stated the Inland Wetland Commission could drop some of the current Commission regulations and adopt more of the state's regulations. Ross Lally stated he was going to get in contact with Darcy Winther from the DEEP to see if he could get the newest draft of regulations. Ross Lally also asked if the Commission would like to have a special meeting to discuss the Commissions current regulations and also take a look at other town's regulations. James also suggested researching state regulations before the meeting so members could ask questions and discuss changes to Bolton's current regulations. Holly McDonald agreed to research Tolland Counties regulations, Maryanne Edwards agreed to research Litchfield County and Ross Lally will be contacting Darcy from the DEEP and also researching Waterford regulations. Chairman Loersch also stated that no changes would take place without a public meeting. Loersch asked the Commission if Tuesday February 11, 2014 at 7:00P.M worked for everyone. The Commission all agreed they could meet that day.

### **F. Education and Outreach Discussion**

Ross discussed with the Commission that he was coordinating with other groups and Commissions so the public can become more aware of certain rules and regulations. Chairman Loersch suggested picking a few key points or ideas about protecting the Wetlands; a brochure that allows residents to know when a permit is needed and basic Information.

### **3. Old Business**

None

### **4. Wetlands Agent Report**

Barbara discussed with the Commission the expansion of a restaurant on West Street, also the progress of the sewer hookups. Barbara also stated the day after New Year's she she took a site walk on 49 South Road that is going to be a location for a timber harvest.

## **6. Approval of Minutes**

### **A. November 26, 2013 Regular Meeting**

A motion was made by Ross Lally, seconded by Jane Darico to accept the minutes as presented. Motion passed.

## **7. Other**

Nothing at this time

## **8. Adjournment**

A motion was made by Maryanne Edwards, seconded by Jane Darico to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:37.

Respectfully submitted,

Corrine O'Brien  
Board Clerk

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