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Inland Wetland & Watercourse Commission  
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*Draft minutes until approved at next regular meeting*

October 11, 2022

Chairman Jim Krissel called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 PM in the Chapin Meeting Room under current Covid guidelines. The following members were in attendance: Larry Rand, William Trowbridge, Sharon Tingley, Mike Dudek, Scott Schreiber, Robin Zitter and Alternate Lynn Kearcher. Others in attendance: Matt Schwaikert, Jim Archer, Nikki Blass. Site visits were conducted, as posted, this past Saturday by Krissel, Tingley, Zitter, Schreiber, Dudek, Rand and Kearcher with no action taken. Sites were visited during the month by Krissel and LUA Casey.

2. The agenda was approved with the addition of invoice regarding Keeler Road and 2023 Meeting Schedule via motions of Rand/Tingley with all in favor.

3. Minutes from the September meeting stood approved as posted.

4. **Communications:** There was no public comment. Correspondence: There is a Virtual education opportunity for November 3 – which will be sent to all members.

5. **Old Business:** Consideration of invoice from Attorney Byrne in the amount of \$1,977.50 for the Keeler Road issue – motions of Tingley/Rand moved to pay the invoice – all were in favor.

6. **New Business:** a) 15 Williams Road: Remediation and invasive control. This was a site visit. Matt Schwaikert was in attendance to describe the application. Work had been done on the property without the benefit of a permit. Mr. Schwaikert was hired to remediate, stabilize the site and create a meadow. His proposal includes scraping the soil to remove invasives, pile debris on site and compost. The issue at the site is the proliferation of porcelain berry. Double staked haybales will be installed, after final grading, the lot will be seeded with mine mix with a thin layer of shopped hay over the entire area to aid in erosion control. There are drainage concerns on the property, especially with the recent paving of the driveway. Mr. Schwaikert proposed adding boulders, rip rap as outlined on the revised site plan submitted. He will add additional staked haybales. As there were long term concerns, he was urged to have the owner consider the submittal of a 5-year maintenance plan along with

native vegetation plantings. Motions of Dudek/Rand approved the application with the above considerations to be made to the owner. All were in favor. b) 95 West Woods Road #2: This was a site visit by the Chair. Jim Archer was in attendance to describe the property site which includes a pond installed by the current owner in 1957. 65 years later, the outlet pipe has failed – he proposed to remove the 20” metal pipe, replace it with 24” plastic pipe and add a grate as a beaver deterrent. A mini excavator will be used. Chair Krissel described the site – urging the importance of approving this repair due to our current drought conditions. The application was approved via motions of Dudek/Schreiber with Mr. Archer to advise the office when work commences so other members may visit the site.

7. Applications to accept: 82 Amenia Road/67 Hospital Hill Road: Review of proposed Village Center Housing Project and 34 Morey Road: Installation of a boardwalk. Both applications were accepted to be heard at the next regular meeting. 8. No Executive Session was held. 9. 2023 Meeting Schedule: Members reviewed the proposed 2023 meeting schedule – and with motions of Rand/Scott, it was approved to remain the second Monday of the month at 6:30 PM – with any Monday holiday to have the Tuesday meeting. All were in favor.

Chair Krissel discussed knotweed and pesticide use – it was agreed by all members to have a discussion at a future meeting regarding this Commission’s position on the use of chemicals on properties.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 PM via motions of Rand/Schreiber.

Respectfully,

*Jamie Casey*

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Land Use Admin/Clerk

**Reminder:** Next meeting: Monday, November 14, 2022, at 6:30 PM. Site visits Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 8 AM – Sharon Town Hall.