

SPECIAL MEETING
INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
TOWN OF VOLUNTOWN

March 12, 2015.

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 P.M. Members present were John Moran, Chairman Tom Sweet, and Alternate Tammy Daigneault. Wetlands Agent Joe Theroux was also present. Absent were Dave Miner, Lester Davis, Eric Williams and Alternate Bob Panko.

Tammy was seated as a voting member.

The minutes from the November 6, 2014 and February 5, 2015 meetings could not be approved and were tabled until the next meeting.

Old Business: Bob Schuch appeared before the board for Mr. Tom Witzel, 129 Bennett Road, who was also present. Bob reported that he met with the Town Road Foreman, Jim Crider, and Selectman Ronald Millovitsch, regarding the drainage improvements that Mr. Witzel is proposing. All were in agreement that replacing a proposed catch basin with a solid cover dropped manhole would be in the best interest of the Town, and the plans will reflect that change. Mr. Witzel will maintain it all. There is approval from Uncas Health for the septic systems, and two new wells will be installed also. Staked hay bales will be placed on the slope every 50 feet or so, and sediment fence will be in place. Tom made a motion to approve the application for proposed drainage improvements for 129 Bennett Road owned by Tom Witzel, John seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.

New Business: William Gay, 34 Ten Rod Road. Application to add a new septic system in conjunction with a new addition to the home. Joe reported that the proposed project will be within 75 feet of a stream. The addition, which will be incorporated into the garage, will be an in-law apartment. Al Gosselin from Uncas Health had the sketch showing that in 2006 there was a perk test for an addition that was not done. Al did not see a problem with it but he wants to see the person who is doing the work. The board looked over the sketches and some discussion took place. Joe will go out and make sure that the stream is the edge of the wetlands and there are no wetlands in between or closer to what Mr. Gay is proposing. John made a motion to remand the application to Joe for agent approval, Tammy seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.

Next on the agenda are George and Elaine Grandolfi, 197 Bennett Rd. They are doing some remodeling and an addition onto their house. The existing septic system will remain as is with no changes. They already have gone to ZBA and have a variance for the sidelines. Activity will be a little over 70 feet from the water. Joe asked about the slope from the house to the pond, and they reported that it was a gradual slope around 6 feet which was shown on a map they had of the property. The board agreed to accept and remand this application to Joe for agent approval. A letter will be sent to them and if there are any modifications to the permit it will be stated in the letter.

Agent's Report: Joe reported that he has not heard back from Mike Schultze regarding the tennis court application. The engineer from Boundaries met with the Town Road Foreman Jim Crider and they came up with a solution to the road drainage problems. Joe is just waiting for the final plan from Mr. Schultze.

He is also keeping an eye on the Gibson site. The foundation has been put in but in order to do that they had to do away with the drainage basins that were stopping a lot of the runoff. Joe has contacted the contractor doing the site work and mentioned that it will be raining and he was concerned about water running underneath the snow. There are staked hay bales in place and he is hoping that they are still there.

Regarding the House property, Joe reported that it is stable. Mr. House hasn't done any more work and he did a good job with the silt fence and hay bales he put in. Joe will check on it in the spring.

John made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Tammy seconded the motion, all in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Thomas Sweet, Chairman