

**INLAND/WETLANDS COMMISSION
TOWN OF VOLUNTOWN
APRIL 7, 2011**

Attendance: Chairman, Thomas Sweet, Wetlands Enforcement Officer Joseph Theroux, Lester Davis, David Miner and Eric Williams.

Meeting called to order at 7:35 P.M.

The December 9, 2010 minutes were read. Eric made a motion to accept as read, Lester seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion accepted.

Sawmill Pond Dam.

Joe Theroux reported to the Board that he had spoke to Paul McGuire about doing repairs to the dam on Sawmill Pond. There is a 3 foot pipe that comes out of the back side of the dam that the gate allows the flow through. There is a hole up in the pipe that he has to fix. Right now it is not leaking but Paul spoke to his engineer and it need to be taken care of. He will have to lower the pond below the level of the pipe, and being that fishing season is opening, he wanted to have an official meeting in case there were any complaints about the pond being down. The pipe is cast iron so it can't be welded so he talked to the engineer and the plan is to drill it and tap it, and screw a pipe plug in there. He wants to do this in August when the water is at its lowest point. Joe suggested that a month or so before the work is done, a notice should put in the newsletter or paper to let residents aware of what is going on. The board thought the residents on Gate Street, who might be affected by the lowering of the pond, should also be notified. Joe will draft a letter to send out before next months meeting so that they may come and voice any concerns they may have to the Board.

Regulation Revisions.

At the December, 2010 meeting, Joe handed out copies of the revised regulations for the Board to look over. The regulations are made up of regulations from the Department of Environmental Protection and from the Town of Chaplain. He wanted to know if the members had a chance to read them over and if there were any questions or suggestions they could share with him. Much discussion took place on certain sections of the regulations. Joe also went over the fee schedule with the Board members. The Board decided to take the suggestions presented at this meeting and come back next month and make the changes to the regulations as needed. A public hearing will need to be held.

Lester made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Dave seconded the motion, all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Respectively submitted:

Thomas Sweet, Chairman