

TOWN OF VOLUNTOWN
INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
JUNE 7, 2018

Members present were: Regular members, Andrew McLallen, Lester Davis, Chris Chabot and Chairman Tom Sweet. Alternate member present, Bob Panko. Wetlands Agent Joe Theroux was also present. Absent were, regular member Dave Miner and alternate Tammy Daigneault.

In the Audience: Rodney McLaren, Al Daigneault and Elaine Grandolfi.

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m.

Andy made a motion to add “approval of February 1, 2018 minutes” to the agenda, Lester seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Lester made a motion to approve the May 3, 2018 minutes, Andy seconded the motion, all in favor, so carried. Bob made a motion to approve the February 1st minutes, Chris seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Citizen’s Comments: None.

IW-18-03 – Town of Voluntown Housing Authority. This application was accepted at last month’s meeting. Joe mentioned that he did a site inspection and he noticed that there was no silt fencing and it has since been put in. Lester stated that as long as they notify Joe when they start phase 3 and he can see all the measures are in place everything should be good. Lester made a motion to approve IW-18-03 of the Voluntown Housing Authority with a condition that they notify the Wetlands Agent before breaking ground to insure that sediment control measures are in place, Andy seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.

New Business: None.

Bob asked Joe about 279 Brown Rd which is owned by Bob Sirpenski. Working on driveway and silt fence was down and he just wanted Joe to check on it.

Chris asked Joe if Mr. Costa from North Shore Rd. and Mr. Bergeron on Bennett Rd. ever finished their projects on the pond. Joe will check them out.

Correspondence: None.

Agent's Report: Joe handed out letters to the Board regarding the work and inspection that was done on Buckley Drive aka Bennett Rd. Joe believes the system is working well. He spoke with Mr. Buckley and they will work with the contractor to address items of concern.

Joe mentioned that he was down on Lakeside Terrace doing some routine inspections and he noticed property owned by Ken Weseman. He had a backhoe about 50 feet from the pond and it looked like he was building something down there. Joe asked that he get a permit but Mr. Weseman said that he was going to tear it out. Joe will give him a week or so then he will send him a letter explaining that he is in violation and he needs a permit.

Chris was wondering about the trees that are down by the pond and would homeowners be required to pull permits to cut them up and remove them. If it is an activity in the upland review area they can make an application to Joe and he can approve on his authority but if it's an activity that is really close to the water they need to come before the board.

Lester made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Chris seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Thomas Sweet, Chairman