

# INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION

**Town of Windsor Locks  
Ella Grasso Conference Room  
Meeting of Wednesday, March 6, 2024  
7:00 PM**

Commission Members Present: Bob Crochetiere, Mary Jane Perrier, Darry Ruitter, Rich Pease,  
Roy Zettlemoyer, John Farrelly  
Commission Members Absent: Lacinda VanGieson, Cindy Cooper, Jim Guthrie  
Staff Present: Dana Steel, P.E., Town Engineer/Wetland Agent

**I. Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM.

**II. Roll Call** – As noted above.

**III. Additions to the Agenda** – None

**IV. Approval of the Minutes from December 6, 2023**

Roy Zettlemoyer made a motion to approve the minutes from February 7, 2024. Rich Pease seconded the motion. It passed with a unanimous vote.

**V. Public Input**

**Joseph Calsetta, 121 Orchard Hill Dr.** – appeared before the Commission to discuss the agenda item referring to the dumping on Volunteer Dr. He reported that he witnessed the dumping on August 20, 2023. He further stated that he did not realize that this commission was seeking information about the violation. He provided the Commission with the contact information of the gentleman that represents the condo association - Sean M. Donovan, 3 Concorde Way, Suite 202, Windsor Locks, CT. Mr. Calsetta reported that he stopped by Mr. Donovan's office on March 4, 2024, and Mr. Donovan called him back just prior to this meeting. He gave Mr. Calsetta the name of the property management company – Advanced Property Management and the name of a contact there. He further stated that he reported this issue with the Building Official on August 20, 2023. Chairman Bob Crochetiere was given all the contact information for follow up.

**Eric March, 94 South Elm Street** – appeared before the Commission to discuss the clearing of land at Woodridge Condominiums. It seems he is concerned with the process of approval that led to the initial clearing of storm debris and the lack of mitigation afterwards. The Commission discussed what was done in the past to mark the boundary and how it could be marked going forward. This issue is not in the jurisdiction of this commission.

**VI. Reviews** – None

**VII. Public Hearings** – None

**VIII. Staff Discussion**

**a) Citation Ordinances and Appeal Period -**

Rich Pease briefly highlighted the changes he and Town Attorney Carl Landolina made to the ordinance. One of the discussion points was regarding fines and penalties – it was suggested not having a maximum dollar amount on fines, and Rich's suggestion on having any fines or fees collected to be deposited in the Open Space Land Acquisition Fund was discussed.

A motion was made by Roy Zettlemoyer and seconded by Bob Crochetiere to recommend the Wetlands Violations Citation and Procedures document to go to the Board of Selectman with the changes as identified by Rich Pease. The motion passed unanimously.

## **IX. Old Business**

### **a) 92 North Main Street/Fernwood Avenue**

Dana Steele gave a brief overview of the violation to date. The property owner, Muawiyah Omari, 92 North Main Street appeared before the Commission to address the dumping after receiving a violation citation delivered via State Marshal. He stated that he purchased the property in 2019 and it looked the same as it does today with the dumped materials down the embankment. He further stated that he was not aware of any issues until the State Marshal showed up to serve the citation. He also stated that he did not receive any certified letters. He did remember receiving a letter approximately a year ago from Jennifer Rodriguez about cleaning the bank. He believed the request was to remove wood debris from a tree removal that Eversource had done. He did that. The homeowner asked for clarification from the Commission on what needed to be done to address the violation and he agreed to take care of it. The Commission agreed to give him until the July 3, 2024 meeting to clean it up. Dana will make a visit prior to that and if the work is complete, the property owner will not be required to attend the July meeting.

### **b) Dumping Complaint on Volunteer Drive**

Bob Crochetiere reported that the contact information that Mr. Calsetta dropped off was given to the police chief on Monday, March 4, 2024. He will follow up.

## **X. New Business – None**

## **XI. Communications and Bills – None**

## **XII. Adjournment**

Roy Zettlemyer made a motion to adjourn. Bob Crochetiere seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 PM.

*Respectfully Submitted,*

*Valerie Mercey  
IWWC Recording Secretary*