BOLTON INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING 7:00 P.M., TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2025

VIRTUAL.MEETING.VIA.ZOOM

Inland Wetlands Commission Members Present Via Zoom: Chair Ross Lally, Member Michael McDonnell, Vice Chair James Loersch, Member Diane DeNunzio, Member David Lynn.

Staff Present Via Zoom: Wetlands Agent Alyssa Barroso, Board Clerk Mary Johnston

Others Present Via Zoom: Joseph Dillion

The Commission said their qualifications.

1. Approval of Agenda

D. Lynn MOVED to approve the agenda. M. McDonnell SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5:0:0.

2. Public Comment:

None.

3. Approval of Minutes

3a. October 28, 2025, Regular Meeting

J. Loersch MOVED to approve October 28, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes. D. DeNunzio SECONDED. R. Lally ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED 4:0:1

4. Old Business

5a. IW-25-16: 29 Hebron Rd – Town of Bolton – Construction of a Soccer Field at Herrick Park

A. Barroso discussed the changes made to the application/map since the last meeting. J. Dillion said he provided additional information to staff this morning, but that information was not provided to the Commission for tonight's meeting. Therefore, M. McDonnell MOVED to table this application to the next meeting. J. Loersch SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5:0:0.

4b. IW-25-17: 206-220-222-266 Bolton Center Rd – Town of Bolton – Construct a Town Center Subsurface Sewage Disposal System

A. Barroso presented an updated map and pointed out the changes made since the last meeting. A. Barroso explained the sewer line was adjusted to limit the disturbance to the wetlands and said the only disturbance to the wetlands was behind Town Hall. A. Barroso said this sewage system will need a pumping mechanism due to the changes made and other areas is gravity piping. J. Dillion provided more information for the piping system. R. Lally wondered if the new system is sized appropriately for growth, the size of the tanks,

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backup power in emergency situations and electric power. J. Dillion replied it is sized appropriately for growth, tanks will be standard size, two underground pumps backups available if needed, and power will be underground. R. Lally expressed concerns with lack of permit, no lighting shown and lack of coordination requiring re-work of the project. R. Lally suggested having this information available and explained for the Public Hearing to avoid questions by the public. R. Lally said the Commission had requested a wetlands soil scientist to review the wetlands to which J. Dillion replied there has been a survey done previously. J. Loersch MOVED to withdraw the need for a soil scientist at this time. After discussion, J. Loersch withdrew his motion. M. McDonnell suggested using a no trenching option as an alternative if feasible, program and number of test borings, do drilling in winter months, use bombardier in wetlands, use an auger, avoid flush drilling and geophysical testing. M. McDonnell said he would like to be on site during the sub surface work. R. Lally stated he is concerned with inadvertently draining the wetlands. J. Dillion replied there will be trench hill installations. M. McDonnell suggested there are two options to investigate: trench-less or going the long way around. J. Loersch had concerns with installing a six-inch gravity pipe northeast edge of the pavement/parking lot. R. Lally questioned how these fits in with the planned walkway and expressed concerns with the archeological site near this proposed project. J. Dillion replied the proposed walkway will be constructed after the sewer installation. R. Lally asked that the archeological site/encampment added to the project map. M. McDonnell displayed a map of the archaeological site in relation to the proposed project. R. Lally asked the members to think about a hybrid Public Hearing for this application. The Commission will continue to review this application at next month's meeting.

5. New Business

None.

6. Wetlands Agent Report

A. Barroso reported on the CACIWC conference held last weekend and said it was a great conference with informative sessions. A. Barroso informed the commission members required training completed by March 1st. A. Barroso stated all ongoing permits are good.

7. Other

7a. Cease and Correct – Alexey Ouzonov & Tenant – 37 Notch Road – Debris in Wetlands

A. Barroso reported she and R. Lally met with the Town Attorney about this matter to discuss the next steps. R. Lally stated a letter was sent to George Logan to submit the soil report to which Mr. Logan replied the scope of the work has changed and with additional costs. A. Barroso said the Town Attorney suggested continuing to negotiate with Mr. Logan to submit his report so the property owner can mitigate the issues in the wetlands. R. Lally pointed out the Town granted an agricultural exemption on this property many years ago, but those files cannot be found. R. Lally suggested sending a note to Town Administrator Jim Rupert about the Novus program and lost files and check with Barbara Kelly on missing documents.

7b. Ongoing Discussion & Review of Proposed Updates to Wetlands Regulation

A. Barroso reported there has been no outcome yet about the changes to the fee schedule and recently discovered that the Town cannot charge compliance fees unless by Ordinance. The Commission discussed how the Town can charge for noncompliance fees through Ordinance. R. Lally suggested doing the review of the Wetlands Regulations separately from the fees so the Selectmen and Town Attorney can review before setting the Public Hearing. The Commission can work on the fee schedule separately. M. McDonnell will send the proposed updates to the Wetlands Regulations to the Commission to review at the next meeting before presenting to the Board of Selectmen. R. Lally reported there are no increases to the FY27 Budget request, but the Commission can review at the next meeting.

8. Adjournment: M. McDonnell MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m. D. DeNunzio SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5:0:0.

Respectfully submitted by Mary J. Johnston Mary J. Johnston

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