

TOWN OF SCOTLAND

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INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSE COMMISSION

6:30 P.M.

March 23, 2023

Special Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Chairman Alan McLevy, Mike Wilson, Bill Syme

Members Excused: None

Staff Present: Wetlands Agent Isabelle Kisluk

Others Present: Supervising Forest Products Harvester Paul Crider

1. Call to Order: A. McLevy called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.
2. Roll Call- Seat Alternates: None
3. Additions/Changes in order of Agenda: None
4. Audience of Citizens: None
5. New Business

6.1 Application of the Town of Scotland for improvements to Bass Road Bridge over Merrick Brook, #04772

The Commission reviewed the physical plans for the bridge following the site walk. A. McLevy asked what will be put in place when the abutments for the old bridge are removed to stabilize the location and how that area will tie into the wingwalls to remain in place? The Commission discussed how the helical piles will be installed and how

the area will be stabilized.

The Commission discussed the process by which the application will be approved, and a contractor will be selected by the town. The Commission requested a plan to ensure that the wingwalls to remain will be stabilized as needed.

B. Syme **MOVED** to accept the application of the Town of Scotland for improvements to Bass Road Bridge over Merrick Brook, #04772. A. McLevy **SECONDED**. Motion carried 3:0:0.

6.2 Application of Paul Crider for a Jurisdictional Ruling: Timber Harvest

P. Crider provided the Commission with a copy of the notification of timber harvest and logging plan. P. Crider stated that he would use timber line mats for the one wetland crossing shown on the logging plan and described the nature of the wetlands on the site. He stated that the crossing had been used in the past for timber harvest operations.

The Commission reviewed the Town's GIS to gain a better understanding of the wetland system as P. Crider described it.

B. Syme asked when the project would be starting. P. Crider stated that the work would begin the next week in Sprague and then would progress toward Scotland.

A. McLevy **MOVED** to approve the jurisdictional ruling as read. M. Wilson **SECONDED**. Motion carried 3:0:0.

6. Old Business

6.1 Revision of the IWWC Bylaws

I. Kisluk stated that a draft in word had been emailed to the Commission members. She stated that there are remaining formatting issues to be fixed but that the revisions to the language should be reviewed.

7. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

7.1 Regular meeting minutes of January 10, 2023

A. McLevy **MOVED** to **APPROVE** the regular meeting minutes of January 10, 2023. M. Wilson **SECONDED**. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

8. Commission Open Discussion

The Commission discussed the progress on the recently approved forestry operations. A. McLevy noted that there is some water flowing from the landing on the Pinch Street operation which may reach the nearest catch basin and noted that some additional protection may be needed in that area when the operation becomes more active.

9. Administrative Reports

10. Adjournment

B. M. Wilson **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 PM. B. Syme **SECONDED**. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0