

Beacon Falls Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission  
 10 Maple Avenue  
 Beacon Falls, CT 06403



**BEACON FALLS INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES COMMISSION**  
**Monthly Meeting**  
**July 14, 2021**  
**MINUTES**  
**(Subject to Revision)**

**1. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance**

Chairman Stephen Knapik called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

**Members Present:** Stephen Knapik (SK), Richard Minnick (RM), Doug Bousquet (DB), Brian Swan (BSw), Fred Bowes (FB) John Smith (JS)

**Others Present:** Dave Keating (DK), Harry Roscoe, P&Z Commissioner (HR), Shelly Plude, SLR Consulting (SP)

**2. Wetlands Enforcement Officer's Report**

**Motion to amend agenda to move Wetlands Enforcement Officer Report to first item on agenda. Motion made John Smith, Seconded by Doug Bousquet.**

**VOTE:**

John Smith	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Douglas Bousquet	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Steve Knapik	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brian Swan	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Fred Bowes	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Richard Minnick	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent

DK: Meeting with property owner at Blackberry Hill Road regarding issues with water coming down from Timber Ridge. Also, Bethany Road property, driveway erosion. Haven't heard anything from Kurt Novak re: pond.

**3. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings**

**Motion to approve and accept minutes from Special Meeting on June 23, 2021, as submitted. Motion Made by Richard Minnick/Seconded by Doug Bousquet**

**VOTE:**

John Smith	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	<u>Abstain</u>	Absent
Douglas Bousquet	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Steve Knapik	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brian Swan	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Fred Bowes	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Richard Minnick	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent

**4. Comments from the Public - none**

**5. Public Petitions- none**

**6. New Applications**

- a. Beacon Valley Road Bridge Rehabilitation

SP: Relatively Minor Work on Beacon Valley Road Bridge. Wetlands Impact related to temporary conditions needed to take place to put that concrete in. Minor repairs to extend the life of the bridge.

BS: Shared project with Naugatuck? SP: We are meeting with both Naugatuck and Beacon Falls IWWC

RM: How will the concrete be held? SP: Physically anchored.

JS: Timeframe in watercourse? SP: Two weeks aside, give or take.

**Motion to accept application A-2021-322, SW-2021-225, Town of Beacon Falls, Beacon Valley Road Bridge Rehabilitation. Motion made by Richard Minnick/Seconded by Doug Bousquet.**

**VOTE:**

John Smith	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Douglas Bousquet	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Steve Knapik	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brian Swan	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Fred Bowes	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Richard Minnick	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent

**Motion to table discussion of application A-2021-322, SW-2021-225, Town of Beacon Falls, Beacon Valley Road Bridge Rehabilitation until after Naugatuck IWWC Public Hearing on matter, scheduled for August 4, 2021. Motion made by Richard Minnick/Seconded by Doug Bousquet.**

**VOTE:**

John Smith	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Douglas Bousquet	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Steve Knapik	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brian Swan	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Fred Bowes	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Richard Minnick	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Absent

- b. 251 South Main Street, James Martin

RM recused self from meeting.

SK: Accepting application tonight. We need a copy of the soil scientist report and a drawing that includes the 100-ft setback.

RM returned to meeting

**7. Correspondence – reviewed.**

**8. Old Business/Reports/Inspections/Staff**

- a. Permit A-2003-236 Pond Springs Village/ Pent Road / Lancaster Drive – JS/BS Recused Self. No report submitted this month. JS/BS – returned to meeting
- b. Permit A-2009-283 Alliance Circle – Lot 3 – no updates.
- c. Permit A-2014-306 100 Fieldstone Lane – Chatfield Farms Phases 3, 4, & 5  
SK: Report received from DeCarlo & Doll & from EG Home.

- d. Hopp Brook Developers A-2019-315, SW-2019-017, A-2019-315-A1, SW-2019-017-A1 -RM: Are there any changes to the new plan submitted? If it is a new P&Z application, they may need to submit a new application to us?
- e. Permit A-2019-316, SW-2019-018, Shawn Classey, 363 & 375 Burton Road - no updates.
- f. Permit A-2019-317, SW 2019-019 Berco Tank, 36 Lancaster Drive- no updates
- g. Permit A-2021-318 & SW-2021-021 - TOBF, Beacon Valley Road – no updates.
- h. Permit A-2021-320 & SW-2021-023 – 808 South Main Street/ MHC 83 – no updates.
- i. Permit A-2021-321 & SW-2021-043 – TOBF, Cook Lane Storm Drainage Improvements – no updates.

**9. New Business**

- a. Detention/Retention Pond Maintenance - no updates
- b. Review of IWWC Ordinances & Fees – no updates
- c. 90 Munson Road – Kurt Novak  
 SK: Mr. Novak wants to dredge a pond. He needs a permit.  
 Kurt Novak, 90 Munson Road. – I was told I needed to inform IWWC, have a fish farm. 50x60, about two acres of land. Will have to pump it out.  
 SK: Did you have a permit for pond maintenance? KN: I believe so.  
 SK: Do you have plan where you are going to stockpile material? What happens to fish? KN: All material onsite. 90% of material towards road.  
 RM: We do have jurisdiction on this. We should get a permit.  
 SK: Please come in and speak to Dave (Keating) on Friday to fill out an application.

**10. Payment of Bills**

**a. Administrative Officers & Other Invoices**

***Motion to approve Dave Keating's June invoice of \$319.77***

***Motion Made by John Smith***

***Seconded by Brian Swan***

**VOTE:**

<b><i>John Smith</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Nay</i></b>	<b><i>Abstain</i></b>	<b><i>Absent</i></b>
<b><i>Douglas Bousquet</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Nay</i></b>	<b><i>Abstain</i></b>	<b><i>Absent</i></b>
<b><i>Steve Knapik</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Nay</i></b>	<b><i>Abstain</i></b>	<b><i>Absent</i></b>
<b><i>Brian Swan</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Nay</i></b>	<b><i>Abstain</i></b>	<b><i>Absent</i></b>
<b><i>Fred Bowes</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Nay</i></b>	<b><i>Abstain</i></b>	<b><i>Absent</i></b>
<b><i>Richard Minnick</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Nay</i></b>	<b><i>Abstain</i></b>	<b><i>Absent</i></b>

***Motion to recommend payment of portion of legal invoices 02772 & 02771 relevant to Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Enforcement & Commission activities. Motion made by John Smith/Seconded by Brian Swan.***

**VOTE:**

<b><i>John Smith</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Nay</i></b>	<b><i>Abstain</i></b>	<b><i>Absent</i></b>
<b><i>Douglas Bousquet</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Nay</i></b>	<b><i>Abstain</i></b>	<b><i>Absent</i></b>
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<b><i>Brian Swan</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Nay</i></b>	<b><i>Abstain</i></b>	<b><i>Absent</i></b>
<b><i>Fred Bowes</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Nay</i></b>	<b><i>Abstain</i></b>	<b><i>Absent</i></b>
<b><i>Richard Minnick</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Nay</i></b>	<b><i>Abstain</i></b>	<b><i>Absent</i></b>

**b. State of Connecticut Fees – no updates**

**c. Engineering - none**

**11. Petitions from Commissioners-**

SK: Want to discuss Tiverton. Need to add it back to next agenda, open permit. FB recused self from meeting. JS: There was a complaint; I went to visit. Silt fence is still down. FB returned to meeting.

**12. Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn at 8:57 PM SK/BS, all ayes.**

Respectfully submitted,

*Lisa Daigle*  
*Clerk, Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission*