BOLTON INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
7:00 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 27, 2026
VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM

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

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

Others Present Via Zoom: None

R. Lally called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

The Commission members stated their qualifications.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
M. McDonnell MOVED to approve the agenda. J. Loersch SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 3:0:0

2. PUBLIC COMMENT
None.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
3a. September 22, 2026, Regular Meeting
M. McDonnell MOVED to approve the September 22, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. J. Loersch SECONDED the motion. R. Lally stated that Section 7(d) of the minutes should describe the status of the meeting regarding 37 Notch Road and outline next steps. M. McDonnell AMENDED his motion to include this addition. J. Loersch SECONDED the amendment. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 3:0:0 as amended.

Later in the meeting, it was discovered the Motion Minutes were posted on the Town's website and provided in the packet. The Clerk will send the Meeting Minutes to the Commission and staff for consideration at the November meeting.

4. OLD BUSINESS
None.

5. NEW BUSINESS
5a. Set 2027 Meeting Dates
M. McDonnell MOVED to approve the following 2027 meeting dates as presented: January 26, February 23, March 23, April 26, May 24, June 22, July 27, August 24, September 28,

October 25, November 16 (Third Tuesday) and December 21 (Third Tuesday). J. Loersch SECONDED the motion. A. Barroso said the October date should be October 26, and December should be December 14. M. McDonnell AMENDED his motion to make the changes. J. Loersch SECONDED the amendment. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0 as amended.

After discussion later in the meeting, J. Loersch MOVED to approve the 2027 Meeting Dates as follows: January 26, February 23, March 23, April 27, May 25, June 22, July 27, August 24, September 28, October 26, November 16 (Third Thursday) and December 14 (Second Tuesday). M. McDonnell SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 3:0:0.

5b. FY 27-28 Budget Approval

J. Loersch MOVED approve the FY 27-28 Budget the same dollar amount as the current fiscal year. M. McDonnell SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 3:0:0.

6. WETLANDS AGENT REPORT

A. Barroso reported inspections at 87 Brandy Street, 217 Hebron and 7 Plymouth passed and work at 25 Vernon Road continues. A. Barroso said at 6 Steels Crossing, the fill-related concern was resolved with vegetation shown and no fill observed in the river. A. Barroso said possible additional clearing and material piles near wetlands were detected at 273 Hebron Road and she sent the property owner a notice of violation. A. Barroso said the clearing at 40 Brandy Street was described as a meadow conversion outside the wetlands; wetland areas are farther back on the property.

7. OTHER

7a. Updates to Fee Schedule

R. Lally said the proposed fee schedule was forwarded to the Commission and will be presented to the Board of Selectmen for review. R. Lally said a public hearing for the proposed fee schedule changes is necessary for public input.

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

The Commission discussed the purpose and agenda for the November joint land-use meeting remained unclear. This meeting may conflict with the Commission's November regular meeting. R. Lally said he will ask for clarification for the purpose of the meeting and a copy of the agenda. R. Lally said he will compile the notes he received on the proposed updates to the regulations.

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

The Commission continued their discussion on the Cease and Correct at 37 Notch Road. R. Lally said he could not locate the historical hand-drawn map for the previously approved agricultural exemption, so the exact boundary was not in the file. The Commission agreed the exemption was limited to approximately 5,000 square feet in the general area discussed and shown at this meeting, for agricultural uses such as growing blueberries and mushrooms. The Commission tasked A. Barroso to work with Mr. Ouzonov to define and document an agreed 5,000 square foot boundary and bring it back to the Commission. The

wood processing and wood storage for residential or commercial purposes are not covered by the agricultural exemption and must cease or be removed from that designated area. The Commission then discussed the filled area outside of the exemption as a violation. J. Loersch MOVED to instruct the Wetlands Agent to meet with Alexey Ouzonov to define a 5,000 square foot area for the agricultural exemption and instruct him there is to be no activities in that area not related to the exemption meaning ceasing of processing of wood and removing the wood from the area that is being done for residential use, not agricultural or commercial use. M. McDonnell SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 3:0:0.

M. McDonnell MOVED to have Alexey Ouzonov engage a contractor to mitigate the violation in the area shown and restore to its pre-existing pre-violation condition with the understanding that he will have some hired and can give the Commission an initial rough plan by the February 2027 meeting. J. Loersch SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 3:0:0.

8. ADJOURNMENT

J. Loersch MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m. M. McDonnell SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 3:0:0.

Respectfully submitted by Mary J. Johnston

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Please see the Minutes of subsequent meetings for corrections to these Minutes and any corrections hereto.