



# Town of Wales Conservation Commission

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## Meeting Minutes – May 18, 2023

Present: Robert Herbert (**Rob H.**) – *Chair*, Jennifer Bothwell (**Jennifer B.**) – *Commission Member*, Joanie D'Ambrosia (**Joanie D.**) – *Commission Member*, Zachery Berry (**Zach B.**) – *Commission Member*, Tom Brown (**Tom B.**) – *Commission Member*, Sarah Ryan (**Sarah R.**), – *Clerk*

Public Present: Joel Jette

Virtual Participants:

Robert H. opened the public meeting at 6:02 pm.

Minutes to be approved: 4/27/23.

Motion 05182023-01 by Joanie D. to approve the 4/27/23 meeting minutes with edits made, Seconded by Tom Brown, no discussion, all in favor.

Roll Call Vote:	Jennifer Bothwell	Y
	Joanie D'Ambrosia	Y
	Robert Herbert	Y
	Zachary Berry	Y
	Tom Brown	Y

Old Business:

**\*\*Agenda Item: 45 Tideman-follow up/ flagging of driveway**

Robert H. measured the driveway and confirmed that the location of the new driveway is over 100 ft. from the buffer zone.

**\*\*Agenda Item: 66 Union Rd. -Joel Jette/RDA submission**

Robert H. opened the public hearing for the Request for Determination of Applicability for 66 Union Rd. at 6:04 pm. Robert H. then gave a detailed introduction of all members present, to

include names, DOB and residential addresses. The commission discussed conditions for this project.

- All dirt/sand piles must be covered to avoid debris blowing into lake
- Upon completion of the project, the commission must be notified, and site visit be conducted
- The owner should look into registering any existing docks if they have any

The public hearing was closed at 6:15 pm.

Motion 051823-02 by Jennifer B. to issue a negative determination for reason #2 “The work described in the Request is within an area subject to protection under the Act, but will not remove, fill, dredge, or alter that area. Therefore, said work does not require the filing of a Notice of Intent”, seconded by Tom B., no discussion, all in favor.

Roll Call Vote: Jennifer Bothwell	Y
Joanie D’Ambrosia	Y
Robert Herbert	Y
Zachary Berry	Y
Tom Brown	Y

#### New Business:

**\*\*Agenda Item: 199 Stafford Rd. - NOI**

Rob H. re-opened the public hearing at 6:17 pm. Tighe & Bond has requested a continuance for this hearing.

Motion 051823-03 by Joanie D. to continue the public hearing for the Notice of Intent, DEP File # WE 314-0179 to June 15, 2023, Seconded by Tom Brown, no discussion, all in favor.

Roll Call Vote: Jennifer Bothwell	Y
Joanie D’Ambrosia	Y
Robert Herbert	Y
Zachary Berry	Y
Tom Brown	Y

#### New Business:

**\*\*Agenda Item: Conservation Commission – discussion of bylaw**

Commission members **Joanie D.** and **Jennifer B.** have met and reviewed other community’s bylaws. The commission will continue to review and draft language.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 pm.

Next meeting is June 15, 2023.