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**APPEARANCE  
STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION**

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**TO: The Freedom of Information Commission**

FIC DOCKET NO. <b>2023-0561</b>		RETURN DATE <b>February 7, 2024</b>	
NAME OF CASE (FIRST-NAMED COMPLAINANT V. FIRST-NAMED RESPONDENT) Marissa Wright v. Chairman, Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission, Town of Goshen; Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission, Town of Goshen; and Town of Goshen			
<b>PLEASE ENTER THE APPEARANCE OF:</b>			
NAME OF OFFICIAL, FIRM, PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION, OR INDIVIDUAL ATTORNEY			
MAILING ADDRESS (No., Street, P.O. Box)			
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**in the above-entitled case for: ("X" one of the following)**

- The Complainant
- All Complainants
- The following Complainant(s) only: \_\_\_\_\_
- The Respondent
- All Respondents
- The following Respondent(s) only: \_\_\_\_\_
- Intervener: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note:** If other counsel or a pro se party have already appeared for the party or parties indicated above, state whether this appearance is:

- In lieu of appearance of attorney or firm or pro se party (Name) \_\_\_\_\_ (Name) already on file **OR**
- In addition to appearance already on file.

**CERTIFICATION**

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SIGNED (Individual attorney or pro se party) <b>X</b>	NAME OF PERSON SIGNING AT LEFT (Print or Type)	DATE SIGNED
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**I hereby certify that a copy of the above was mailed or delivered to:**

- All counsel and pro se parties of record as listed below and on any additional sheet(s).
- Counsel or the party whose appearance is to be replaced as listed below and on additional sheet(s).

SIGNED (Individual attorney or pro se party) <b>X</b>	DATE COPY(IES) MAILED OR DELIVERED
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# FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

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January 24, 2024

Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission,  
Town of Goshen  
42A North Street  
Goshen, CT 06756

**RE: Docket #FIC 2023-0561; Marissa Wright v. Chairman, Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission, Town of Goshen; Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission, Town of Goshen; and Town of Goshen**

Dear Respondent:

Please be advised that the Freedom of Information Commission has received a complaint alleging a violation against your agency. A copy of the complaint is enclosed for your reference. The Commission will send you a Notice of Hearing and Order to Show Cause, which will notify you of the date, time and place of the hearing.

In the interim, the Commission has instituted an ombudsman program with respect to complaints brought to it. Pursuant to this program, a staff member is assigned to act as liaison between the parties to each contested case filed. It is the responsibility of the ombudsman to effect settlements of complaints where possible, thereby avoiding the delays and expenses caused by unnecessary hearings. Of course, the ombudsman will not communicate nor participate with any person within the Commission who serves in a decision-making role with respect to this particular case.

Attorney Nicholas A. Smarra has been assigned to the above-captioned matter. Please contact at 860-566-5682 to discuss your case. **Please Note: Any written correspondence directed to this commission, except to the ombudsman, by any party to a contested case, must be copied and sent to all other parties.**

Sincerely,

Cynthia A. Cannata  
Acting Clerk of the Commission

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Enclosures

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Freedom of Information Comm.  
By M. EG  
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To: Freedom of Information Commission  
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Freedom of Information Comm.  
By MKS

Regarding: Town of Goshen, CT Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission, Town of Goshen First Selectman Todd Carusillo, Freedom of Information Appeal & Complaint

Contact Information, Violator of FOI Act: Town of Goshen First Selectman: Todd Carusillo, 42A North Street, Goshen, CT 06756, 860-491-2308, Town of Goshen Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission

On October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023, a Town of Goshen Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission public meeting was held to discuss and approve a permit for a 14,000-18,000 square foot town storage garage on recently purchased town land, 190 Sharon Turnpike, Goshen, CT 06756. No notification was made to adjacent property owners.

The proposed building has been a concern for many of the residents of the town, yet the Wetlands Commission did not see fit to conduct a public hearing on the application, or list any conditions in relation to the approval. The First Selectman, Todd Carusillo was present at the meeting, supporting the wetlands application.

On the night of the meeting, October 5<sup>th</sup> 2023, at 7:15pm and for the duration of the meeting, the doors to the building were locked, and the meeting was not accessible to the public. It is unknown exactly how many people tried to access the building during the meeting. I am filing a complaint, as Town of Goshen residents were denied access to a public meeting. If members of the public, including myself, were allowed access to the building, a request for public hearing would have been made. Evidence of the locked doors can be witnessed in the video in the attached link:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/play/3NQgkzH-wD8IF4P\\_jsZGvkjaoVi6g81tRwa5orNytB\\_g5SQX19DRbk81TFV4ilgBgGlijmwQ7z35f5eA3.UknRVELa0uGBoYm?canPlayFromShare=true&from=share\\_recording\\_detail&startTime=1696546148000&componentName=rec-play&originRequestUrl=https%3A%2F%2Fus02web.zoom.us%2Frec%2Fshare%2FyQt14QdPiYKs08QsVnNkRuf7ZtF1izqR1pZPXrvgj1hW8yrZa-VOC5f9T6tO8pcu.3CG477r5a2pPAMd7%3FstartTime%3D1696546148000](https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/play/3NQgkzH-wD8IF4P_jsZGvkjaoVi6g81tRwa5orNytB_g5SQX19DRbk81TFV4ilgBgGlijmwQ7z35f5eA3.UknRVELa0uGBoYm?canPlayFromShare=true&from=share_recording_detail&startTime=1696546148000&componentName=rec-play&originRequestUrl=https%3A%2F%2Fus02web.zoom.us%2Frec%2Fshare%2FyQt14QdPiYKs08QsVnNkRuf7ZtF1izqR1pZPXrvgj1hW8yrZa-VOC5f9T6tO8pcu.3CG477r5a2pPAMd7%3FstartTime%3D1696546148000)

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By M. EG  
FOI#2023-05401

**From:** Marissa Wright <marissawright99@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 3, 2023 1:41 PM  
**To:** FOI  
**Subject:** Town of Goshen, CT IWWC & First Selectman, FOI Act Violation Complaint/Appeal  
**Attachments:** Town of Goshen FOIA Complaint 1.pdf

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Good Afternoon -

Attached please find a FOI Act complaint/appeal, for processing.

Please let me know when this document is received. I will be sending a hard copy signature in the mail as well, but wanted to get this to you prior to the deadline.

Thank you in advance.

Best,  
Marissa L Wright  
Town of Goshen Resident

As a taxpayer, adjacent property owner, and member of the community in the Town of Goshen, CT, I am equally shocked and saddened at the lack of consideration and denial of basic rights for members of the town to access a critical meeting, that could have changed the outcome of an application.

I am requesting that the Wetlands application approval be overturned, and that the taxpayers of the town of Goshen be granted a public hearing, as the town prevented public access to a critical public meeting. I am requesting immediate investigation of this incident, and I thank you in advance for your attention. You will likely see other complaints regarding this incident.

Sincerely,

Marissa L Wright

Town of Goshen Resident

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By M.E.G.  
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