

**CITY OF TORRINGTON
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
MINUTES
March 17, 2015**

Present: Jay Bate, Jr., Chairman
Christine Altman, Vice Chair
William Storti, Member
Jonathan Andrews, Member
Jane Bakker, Member/Secretary
Tom Telman, Member

Also Present: Rista Malanca, Wetlands Enforcement Officer

Not Present: Doris Murphy, Member and PZC Liaison

1. Call To Order:

Chairman Jay Bate called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.; Torrington City Hall Council Chambers, Room 218, 140 Main Street, Torrington, CT

2. Roll Call and Announcement:

Chairman Bate announced present and serving on the Commission this evening are Commissioners Christine Altman, William Storti, Jonathan Andrews, Jane Bakker, Tom Telman and Jay Bate, Jr. Also present is Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer Rista Malanca.

3. Minutes for Approval:

a. 2/24/15

MOTION by Mr. Storti to accept the 2/24/15 minutes, seconded by Ms. Bakker, motion carried with Mr. Telman and Ms. Altman abstaining from voting.

4. Old Business:

a. Location: 945 New Harwinton Road
Applicant: Daniel Gervais, Jr.
Activity: Construct new building with associated parking in upland review area and 675 sq. ft. of man made wetlands filled

Dennis McMorrow of Berkshire Engineering and Surveying appeared before the Commission representing Mr. Gervais on the subject application. Mr. McMorrow explained site features, Mr. Malia has identified wetlands soils areas, and there is a manmade depression filled with sand and water. Building construction details were provided.

Mr. McMorrow reviewed his discussion with Assistant City Engineer Matt Walsh, and the changes to plans that were made to accommodate the City's requirements. The existing DOT culvert and pipe details were explained by Mr. McMorrow. A landscaping plan was submitted this afternoon, and the berm details were provided. Ms. Malanca provided her recommendations.

Mr. Storti expressed concern that the basin will be full of water most of the time and not function as designed. Mr. McMorrow provided details, and accommodations that could be made if there is a problem. The topo shows drainage going down the driveway.

MOTION by Mr. Storti to approve the subject application, 945 New Harwinton Road, Daniel Gervais, Jr., to construct new building with associated parking in upland review area, and 675 sq. ft. of man made wetlands filled, and the conditions that Rista attached to the plan: the berm shown on the landscape plan will be eliminated in the area behind the detention basin; and that the disturbed area on the bank be stabilized as needed with rocks and/or plantings. Motion seconded by Ms. Altman, unanimously carried.

5. New Business:

None

6. Adjournment:

MOTION by Ms. Altman to adjourn at 7:19 p.m., seconded by Ms. Bakker, unanimously carried.