

CITY OF TORRINGTON
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
MINUTES
April 19, 2016

Jay Bate, Jr., Chairman
Christine Altman, Vice Chair
Doris Murphy, Member
William Storti, Member
Tom Telman, Member (arrived 7:04 p.m.)

Also Present: Rista Malanca, Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer

Not Present: Jane Bakker, Member/Secretary
Jonathan Andrews, Member

1. Call To Order:

Chairman Jay Bate called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.; Torrington City Hall, Room 218, City Hall Council Chambers, 140 Main Street, Torrington, CT

2. Roll Call and Announcement:

Chairman Jay Bate announced present and serving on the Commission this evening will be Christine Altman, Doris Murphy, William Storti, Tom Telman and Jay Bate. Also present is Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer Rista Malanca.

3. Minutes for Approval:

a. 3/15/16

MOTION by Ms. Altman to approve the 3/15/16 minutes, seconded by Ms. Murphy, unanimously carried.

4. Old Business:

a. Applicant: The Torrington Water Company
Location: Reserve Way, Assessor Map 214 Block 002 Lot 018
Proposal: Construct 220' x 10' wide access road to proposed water tank within regulated area.

Doug Ellis of Buck and Buck Engineers in Hartford, CT appeared representing the applicant. Mr. Ellis present a map/drawing and explained the site to Commission members. There is a small 18" culvert underneath the access road. The crossing has been moved about 25 feet to the east to address the comments of Rista Malanca and Deputy Engineer Matt Walsh.

Ms. Malanca has walked the site with Mr. Ellis and with Mr. Walsh. Ms. Malanca noted site features and wetlands soils on the map.

(Commissioner Tom Telman arrived at this time, 7:04 p.m.)

Site maps were reviewed and discussed. Wetlands features were noted. In response to a questions from Ms. Malanca, Mr. Ellis responded this will be a paved driveway.

Ms. Malanca stated she has no further concerns about this application, and it is ready for a vote this evening.

MOTION by Ms. Altman to GRANT a permit for:

The Torrington Water Company

Location: Reserve Way, Assessor Map 214 Block 002 Lot 018

Proposal: Construct 220' x 10' wide access road to proposed water tank within regulated area. Motion seconded by Ms. Murphy, unanimously carried.

- b. Applicant: Jonathan Zeiner
Location: 879 Pothier Road
Proposal: Timber harvest within upland review area

Ms. Malanca stated this application is on hold, as the owners plans are uncertain as this time. Proposal tabled.

5. New Business:

- a. Applicant: Romana and Greg Campanelli
Location: 205 Marshall Lake Road
Proposal: As of right use, construct horse barn within regulated area

Greg Campanelli appeared and explained their proposal to build a horse barn on 11 acres. There is a small wetlands area on site. The horses will not be in the area of the wetlands. Pasture area was discussed.

Ms. Malanca stated this is clearly agricultural use. More site details and fencing plans were discussed.

MOTION by Ms. Altman to APPROVE the following proposal:

Applicant: Romana and Greg Campanelli

Location: 205 Marshall Lake Road

Proposal: As of right use, construct horse barn within regulated area, Section 4.1a, farming operations and grazing. Motion seconded by Mr. Storti, unanimously carried.

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MOTION by Ms. Altman to add the following item to the agenda, motion seconded by Ms. Murphy, unanimously carried.

Location: 51 Greenwoods Road,
Applicant: Dymax Corporation
Activity: Repair collapsed corrugated metal culvert, required to maintain access to the site.

Todd Parsons of Lenard Engineering in Winsted, CT appeared along with Mark Lambert, Operations Manager for Dymax.

Mr. Parsons provided location details, and site details for the subject property, 51 Greenwoods Road. The driveway has five six foot diameter corrugated pipes which are 40 to 60 percent submerged already. On April 8, 2016 one of the culverts collapsed, and temporary repairs were made. This proposal is temporary, and a more permanent fix will be worked on. Details of the culvert construction were explained by Mr. Parsons. They have been in touch with Army Corps of Engineers who stated this will be an emergency repair. Mr. Parsons is working on what is needed for DEEP.

Ms. Malanca explained this meets the definition of as-of-right use under 4.1f.

MOTION by Ms. Altman to GRANT Dymax Corporation a permit under 4.1f for
Location: 51 Greenwoods Road,
Applicant: Dymax Corporation
Activity: Repair collapsed corrugated metal culvert, required to maintain access to the site, under Section 4.1f as-of-right use under maintenance.
Seconded by Mr. Telman, unanimously carried.

6. Staff Report:

a. Agent Determinations:

Ms. Malanca explained the recently received agent determination for an above ground pool on Pineridge Road.

Ms. Malanca noted the City has received the grant for the Naugatuck River Greenway Trail, and the work will begin this Spring or early Summer. There will be a ground breaking ceremony.

Regarding the lawsuit matter on East Pearl Road, transcripts have been ordered and we are awaiting a court date. Negotiations have come to a stall, so we are moving forward with court.

7. Adjournment:

Motion by Mr. Telman to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Altman, unanimously carried.