

**CITY OF TORRINGTON  
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
July 19, 2016**

Jay Bate, Jr., Chairman  
Jane Bakker, Secretary/Member  
Doris Murphy, Member  
Tom Telman, Member  
William Storti, Member  
Jonathan Andrews, Member

Also Present: Rista Malanca, Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer

Not Present: Christine Altman, Vice Chair

**1. Call To Order:**

Chairman Jay Bate called the meeting to order at 7:05 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 Commissioners Jane Bakker, Doris Murphy, Tom Telman, William Storti, Jonathan Andrews and Jay Bate. Also present is Wetlands Enforcement Officer Rista Malanca.

**3. Minutes for Approval:**

a. 6/21/16

MOTION by Ms. Bakker to accept the 6/21/15 minutes, seconded by Ms. Murphy, motion carried.

**4. Old Business:**

a. Applicant: Gayle Gagliano  
Location: 81 Culvert Street  
Proposal: Repair of retaining wall in regulated area

Ms. Gagliano was not present. Ms. Malanca reviewed the plans that were discussed at the last Commission meetings. Ms. Malanca recommended approval.

MOTION by Ms. Bakker to APPROVE the subject application/proposal, seconded by Ms. Murphy, unanimously carried.

**5. New Business:**

- a. Applicant: James Mersfelder, on behalf of Woodridge Lake Sewer District  
Location: Goshen Road (Route 4): Starting at the Goshen/Torrington municipal boundary extending to Riverside Ave  
Proposal: Install a force main pipe along Route 4 from the Town line to Lovers Lane & Replace the existing 8” diameter gravity sewer pipe to a 12” diameter gravity sewer pipe in the same alignment from Lovers Lane to Riverside Ave within the upland review area.

Dave Prickett, Lead Designer and Engineer for the Project appeared with Ken Green of the Woodridge Lake Planning Commission and James Mersfelder of the Woodridge Lake Sewer District.

Woodridge Lake is under a consent order from the DEEP to construct this proposal. Some details of the proposed construction was explained, and the necessity of a Wetlands Permit.

In response to questions from Ms. Bakker, more details of the force main pipe were given.

It was Ms. Malanca’s recommendation to have a public hearing on this proposal. There is also an Environmental Intervenor, Susan Suhanovsky of Torrington Water Company, who appeared and explained this proposal passes through their watersheds, and there is always a risk with watersheds and sewer lines. The Water Company has concerns about the route, not the project.

MOTION by Ms. Bakker to accept the application for the subject proposal and set a public hearing for public interest. The public hearing shall be held on Tuesday, August 16, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. here in the City Hall Council Chambers. Motion seconded by Ms. Murphy, unanimously carried.

**6. Staff Report:**

Agent Determinations:

- 35 Crystal Lane, Kevin Schibi; open deck and attached garage in upland review area
- 600 Riverside Ave, 600 Riverside Avenue Torrington, LLC, Install “tent” building and minor grading

Ms. Malanca briefly reviewed the agent determinations.

Ms. Malanca reviewed regarding the Wall Street/East Pearl Street legal issue, the judge has upheld the order, which is very good news.

**7. Adjournment:**

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