

**CITY OF TORRINGTON  
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
February 19, 2013**

Present: Christine Altman, Vice Chair  
Jane Bakker, Member/Secretary  
Kathy Carlson, Member  
Nicole Bastiannse-Fritch, Member  
Tom Telman, Member

Also Present: Kimberly Barbieri, Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer

Not Present: Jay Bate, Jr., Chairman  
Doris Murphy, Member and PZC Liaison

**1. Call to Order:**

Ms. Christine Altman, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., Torrington City Hall Council Chambers, Room 218, 140 Main Street, Torrington, CT

**2. Roll Call and Announcement:**

Ms. Altman announced present and serving this evening will be Commissioners Jane Bakker, Kathy Carlson, Nicole Bastiannse-Fritch, Tom Telman and Christine Altman. Also present is Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer Kimberly Barbieri.

**3. Minutes for Approval:**

a. 1/15/13

MOTION by Ms. Bakker to approve the minutes, seconded by Ms. Fritch, motion carried with Ms. Carlson abstaining from voting.

**4. Old Business:**

a. Applicant: Community Health and Wellness Center of Greater Torrington, Inc.  
Location: 459 Migeon Avenue  
Activity: Parking and water quality structures within upland regulated area

Kenneth Hrica, professional engineer and licensed land surveyor appeared before the Commission. Since the last meeting, a few minor changes have occurred, including changes to the driveway system, which was explained by Mr. Hrica.

Ms. Barbieri explained with the Federal grant process, the applicant has no money available to make changes to the building that were requested.

Mr. Telman wanted to go on record that this sets a dangerous precedent, when an applicant says they have no further money to make important changes to a plan. Ms. Barbieri agreed, as well as other Commission members. The money was spent foolishly and he feels bad there are no further funds. He understands this is out of Mr. Hrica's hands, but there is no excuse for this.

Mr. Hrica said orientation of the building would not have changed wetlands issues on the site. Ms. Altman stated this is more an issue of the driveway and the access. Mr. Telman saw this as a lot of excuses. Mr. Hrica pointed out areas of ledge on the site.

MOTION by Ms. Bakker to grant a permit for the subject application, seconded by Ms. Fritch. Mr. Telman opposed the motion. Ms. Altman announced there were four votes in favor of the motion, and one vote in opposition, and the motion passed to grant the permit.

**5. New Business:**

None

**6. Staff Report:**

a. Violation Update

Owner: Victor and Mary Tamplaru

Location: 399 Westside Lane

Violation: Presentation of plan for incomplete restoration of disturbed/cleared areas

Ms. Barbieri stated Mr. Tamplaru came into the office today, and a planting plan was submitted, and it was a good plan designed by Mrs. Tamplaru. Ms. Barbieri needs a date from the Commission as to when this shall be completed.

MOTION by Ms. Bakker to accept the plan for restoration of disturbed and cleared areas, to be completed by May 15, 2013, motion seconded by Mr. Telman, unanimously carried.

b. Violation Update

Owner: Matthias Auer, Matthias F. Auer LLC

Location: 761 Migeon Avenue

Violation: 12-6-12 Cease and Desist Order, DEEP referral, grading without permits

Matthias Auer appeared and stated the canal has been cleared. He is working with Brunswick Corp. To hopefully acquire that property. Next is they will be working with Planning and Zoning to deal with the buildings.

Ms. Barbieri stated the areas needs to be seeded come springtime, and the eroded areas will need to be stabilized and seeded. This project is not done until it is completely stabilized, the deep trenches need to have soil tamped back into place and seeded with a fifty percent rye mix and native grasses. A conservation grass seed can be seeded, and the hillside can be hayed. Ms. Barbieri wants this done by Memorial Day, the last Monday in May.

MOTION by Mr. Telman this project is to be completed by Memorial Day, May 27, 2013, seconded by Ms. Bakker, unanimously carried.

Ms. Barbieri will follow up with a detailed letter to Mr. Auer.

**8. Adjournment:**

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