CITY OF TORRINGTON INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION MINUTES December 16, 2014

Present: Jay Bate, Jr., Chairman

Christine Altman, Vice Chair Jane Bakker, Member/Secretary

Tom Telman, Member William Storti, Member

Also Present: Rista Malanca, Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer

Not Present: Doris Murphy, Member/PZC Liaison

1. <u>Call to Order:</u>

Chairman Jay Bate called the meeting to order at 7:05 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 will be members Jane Bakker, Tom Telman, William Storti and Jay Bate. Also present is Rista Malanca, Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer.

3. <u>Minutes for Approval:</u>

a. 9/16/14

MOTION by Ms. Bakker to accept the 9/16/14 minutes, seconded by Mr. Telman, unanimously carried.

4. <u>Old Business:</u>

none

MOTION by Ms. Bakker to add an item to the agenda by 2/3rds vote, to correct an incorrect address on the next agenda item, the correct address should be "12 Daycoeton Place" in Torrington, motion seconded by Mr. Telman, unanimously carried.

(Vice Chair Christine Altman arrived at this time.)

5. <u>New Business:</u>

a. Location: 12 Daycoeton Place, Torrington Library

Applicant: Peter Wells, AIA

Activity: Installation of drainage lines in parking lot, within regulated area

Peter Wells, Architect, from Tuthill and Wells, Avon, CT, appeared before the Commission.

Mr. Wells provided maps for the Commission's review. Mr. Wells gave a presentation of the proposed work (portions inaudible). Commissioners and Ms. Malanca poised questions, and answers were provided by Mr. Wells.

Per the application notes, Ms. Bakker inquired as to what the other prudent and feasible alternatives were, and why Mr. Wells chose not to use them.

Mr. Wells responded they investigated whether they could use existing storm lines, and they could not be located and possibly overloaded discharged water. The existing drains are buried in walls, and they go into the basement.

Ms. Malanca's recommendation is that this is not a significant activity, but that we ask the Engineering Department to review the application.

Mr. Bate noted areas on the map, and discussion followed on where it would go, coming out of the floodwall, pointing to the map. Mr. Bate noted previous applications where the line would go into the river directly, instead of into rip rap.

Ms. Malanca she wants Engineering to review this application, for compliance with standards of the Army Corps of Engineering. Mr. Bate agreed.

MOTION by Altman to accept the above referenced application at 12 Daycoeton Place, by Peter Wells, AIA for installation of drainage lines in parking lot, within regulated area, and subject to review of Engineering; and that this is not significant activity. Motion seconded by Ms. Bakker, unanimously carried.

6. **Staff Report:**

Ms. Malanca reviewed the activity of the Land Use Office in the last couple months.

Ms. Malanca updated the Commission on the legal matter regarding the East Pearl Street matter. The lawsuit is moving ahead.

An invitation to "Torrington Walks" was sent by Ms. Malanca to the Inland Wetlands Commissioners, and she is hoping for Commissioner's participation if they are available; for comments from the standpoint of both Commissioner and residents of the town. A day time was chosen so that DEEP members and Milone and MacBroom could attend. Even a couple hours of attendance would be great. Ms. Malanca asked Commissioners to forward the invitation to other interested residents.

MOTION by Ms. Altman to accept the 2015 Calendar of Commission Meeting Dates, seconded by Ms. Bakker, unanimously carried.

7. Adjournment:

MOTION by Ms. Altman to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Bakker, unanimously carried at 7:17 p.m.

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