

**CITY OF TORRINGTON
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
MINUTES
June 16, 2015**

Present: Christine Altman, Vice Chair
Jane Bakker, Secretary and Member
William Storti, Member
Jonathan Andrews, Member

Also Present: Rista Malanca, Wetlands Enforcement Officer

Not Present: Jay Bate, Jr., Chairman
Doris Murphy, Member and Planning and Zoning Liaison
Tom Telman, Member

1. Call To Order:

At 7:03 p.m., Vice Chair Christine Altman called the meeting to order in the 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 William Storti, Johnathan Andrews, Jane Bakker and Christine Altman. Also present is Wetlands Enforcement Officer Rista Malanca.

3. Minutes for Approval:

a. 5/19/15

MOTION by Ms. Bakker to accept the 5/19/15 minutes, seconded by Mr. Andrews, unanimously carried.

4. Old Business:

a. Applicant: Andrew Greene for Conn-Torr LLC
Location: 681 Main Street
Activity: Maintenance of vegetation along riparian zone of the river, supplemental planting of shrubs/herbaceous plants in riparian zone of the river

Mark Arrigoni, licensed landscape architect with Milone and MacBroom appeared representing the applicant. At the last meeting Matt Sanford of Milone and MacBroom went through the project in detail. This project will most likely be a two part process, and this is the first application to get going with removal of invasive species, cutting of trees that are affecting the structural integrity of the concrete wall and a tree or two growing on top of the concrete culvert that needs to be removed.

Other trees will be cut and trimmed, creating shade in the riparian area, creating habitat. Planting will be done after removal in key areas, Mr. Arrigoni referred to site maps and discussed the native plants and trees that will be planted.

Ms. Malanca verified that any trees to be cut should be marked first for her to check on site.

MOTION by Ms. Bakker to APPROVE the application for Andrew Greene for Conn-Torr LLC;

Location: 681 Main Street

Activity: Maintenance of vegetation along riparian zone of the river, supplemental planting of shrubs/herbaceous plants in riparian zone of the river, with the condition that trees to be cut down shall be marked, and approved by the Inland Wetlands Officer before they are removed.

Motion seconded by Mr. Andrews, unanimously carried.

5. **New Business:** none

6. **Staff Report:**

Ms. Malanca updated the Commission on the pending litigation on the East Pearl Street wall matter. Ms. Malanca is still awaiting a call from the Judge to set up a meeting date. Ms. Malanca took photographs recently, and this is definitely an obstruction in the river, and it is creating a turbulence in the river (more details regarding the silt, etc.)

Ms. Malanca informed the Commission about an issue on Barbaret Road which will be appearing before this Commission soon.

7. **Adjournment:**

MOTION by Ms. Bakker to adjourn at 7:13 p.m., seconded by Mr. Storti, unanimously carried.