

**CITY OF TORRINGTON
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
MINUTES
March 15, 2011**

Present: Jay Bate, Jr., Chairman
Chris Altman, Vice Chairwoman
Doris Murphy, Member and Inland Wetlands Liaison
Kathy Carlson, Member
Tom Telman, Member

Also Present: Kimberly Barbieri, Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer

Not Present: Jane Bakker, Secretary/Member
Nicole Bastiannse-Fritch, Member

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Jay Bate Jr 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:

Chairman Jay Bate announced present and serving on the Commission this evening will be Chris Altman, Doris Murphy, Kathy Carlson, Tom Telman and Jay Bate. Also present is Kimberly Barbieri, Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer.

3. Minutes for Approval:

a. 2/15/11

Motion by Ms. Carlson to approve the 2/15/11 minutes, seconded by Mr. Telman, motion carried with Ms. Murphy abstaining from voting.

4. Old Business:

None

5. New Business:

a. Applicant: Ryan Schmitz
Location: 1420 East Main Street
Activity: Two sheds at Torrington Car Wash, installed on crushed stone

There was no one present to represent the applicant.

Ms. Barbieri reviewed the photographs and maps provided by the applicant. Two sheds were installed without permits. Locations were reviewed. These sheds are set on stone, no piers have been installed.

*Christine Altman arrived at this time

Ms. Barbieri provided further details. Ms. Murphy wanted a shed relocated away from the wetlands. Mr. Telman wanted to pull the larger shed forward, the location was being used as a connecting drive. Referring to maps, Ms. Barbieri noted the wetlands line. There are limited locations to put these structures.

Ms. Barbieri read a memo from Assistant City Engineer Matt Walsh noted the one of the sheds is on top of a 30" storm sewer easement line and an access manhole. Heavy items should not be placed on top of a plastic pipe. The pipe should be inspected. In the event of heavy flooding, this area may need to be accessed.

Shed Two needs building permits for the electrical work. Since the applicant was not present, Ms. Barbieri will contact them and have the applicant come in with plans showing a new proposed location of the larger shed.

MOTION by Ms. Murphy to accept the subject application, motion seconded by Ms. Altman, unanimously carried.

Ms. Barbieri advised the Commission regarding a conversation she had with Ms. Heidi Novajasky from 391 New Litchfield Street regarding the permit she recently received from this Commission. The Novajaskys indicated they are not done filling, and additional filling was not included on their permit. Consensus of the Commission was that the applicant had ample opportunity during their permit review to ask for additional work, and that they should come in with a new permit application. Ms. Barbieri provided site details for the Commission.

6. **Public Hearing Scheduled for 7:30 p.m, March 15, 2011, City Hall, Room 218, 140 Main Street, Torrington, CT**

- a. Applicant: Torrington Inland Wetlands Commission
Proposal: Low Impact Development Regulations and regulation changes required by the Department of Environmental Protection, State of Connecticut for the Inland Wetlands Regulations of the City of Torrington
(Continued from February meeting)

MOTION by Mr. Telman to reopen the public hearing, seconded by Ms. Altman, unanimously carried.

Ms. Barbieri reviewed the LID changes discussed during the last public hearing in February.

MOTION by Mr. Telman to accept/approve the proposed changes, seconded by Ms. Altman, unanimously carried.

7. Staff Report:

- . Ms. Barbieri reviewed plans for Earth Day, April 30.
- . Ms. Barbieri attended the first Naugatuck River Forum, and provided details for the Commission. Additional towns were invited including Torrington and Harwinton. Water quality was discussed at the forum. Rich Lynn from the regional planning agency was in attendance as well as a representative from the greenways trails system.

8. Adjournment:

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