# CITY OF TORRINGTON INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES November 9, 2021

Present: Jay Bate, Jr., Chair

Christine Altman, Chair William Storti, Member

Tomasz Kalinowski, Member (via Zoom)

Also Present: Jeremy Leifert, Asst. City Planner/Inland Wetlands

**Enforcement Officer** 

# 1. <u>Call To Order:</u>

Chair Jay Bate called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.; Room 218, City Hall Auditorium, 140 Main Street, Torrington, CT, and also via ZOOM online.

### 2. Roll Call and Announcement:

Chair Jay Bate announced present and serving on the Commission this evening are Commissioners Christine Altman, William Storti, Tomasz Kalinowski (via zoom) and Jay Bate. Also present is Asst. City Planner/Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer Jeremy Leifert.

### 3. Minutes for Approval:

a. 10/19/21 Minutes

MOTION by Mr. Storti to approve the 10/19/21 minutes, seconded by Ms. Altman, unanimously approved.

# 4. Old Business:

b. Show Cause Hearing

Property Owner: Jose Bonilla

Address: 37 Stoneridge Drive, Assessor Map 121 Block 001 Lot 005

Violation: Work in regulated area without permits

c. Applicant: Jose Bonilla

Address: 37 Stoneridge Drive, Assessor Map 121 Block 001 Lot 005 Construct rear deck within upland regulated area and repair

water course violations

Mr. Leifert noted he has sent a memo to Commissioners dated November 9, 2021 outlining his findings. Agenda items 4b. and 4c. will be discussed together, and were both covered in the November 9, 2021 memo. Mr. Leifert reviewed highlights in his memo and in his opinion, this is not a significant activity requiring a public hearing. Mr. Leifert reviewed his recommendation to continue with the show cause hearing, make a decision, and then rescind the order once work is complete.

Mr. Leifert noted the application to construct a rear deck within the upland regulated area was received at last month's meeting without a map. The site map has since been received (Mr. Leifert screen shared the site map). It was the consensus of the Commission that this is not a significant activity.

MOTION by Ms. Altman that this proposed activity/application is not a significant activity requiring a public hearing, seconded by Mr. Storti, motion unanimously carried.

MOTION by Ms. Altman to GRANT a permit with the standard conditions outlined in Mr. Leifert's November 9, 2021 memo:

Applicant: Jose Bonilla

Address: 37 Stoneridge Drive, Assessor Map 121 Block 001 Lot 005

Activity: Construct rear deck within upland regulated area and repair water course

violations

Motion seconded by Mr. Storti, unanimously carried.

a. Show Cause Hearing

Property Owner: Ron Raymond

Address: Felicity Lane, Assessor Map 101 Block 011 Lot 008 Violation: Grading and material processing within a regulated area

without permits

Discussion – no site plans available yet

Mr. Leifert updated the Commission on the status of this matter, he has spoken with the contracted engineer Kenneth Hrica. Mr. Hrica has indicated that much of the site work has been accomplished, and a resurvey of this large parcel was necessary. More work needs to be done on the house location mapping. A new map will possibly be ready for the December meeting.

Tabled until next meeting.

### 5. New Business:

None

# 6. **Staff Report:**

a. Enforcement Report – update

Mr. Leifert stated no new Agent Determination permits have been granted since the last meeting. An updated Enforcement Report will be provided at the next meeting, since it has been only three weeks since the last Inland Wetlands Commission Meeting.

# 7. Adjournment:

MOTION by Ms. Altman to adjourn at 7:09 p.m., seconded by Mr. Storti, unanimously carried.

Land Use Office