

**CITY OF TORRINGTON  
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
September 13, 2022**

Present: Jay Bate, Jr., Chair  
Christine Altman, Vice Chair  
Tomasz Kalinowski, Member  
Emily Jury, Member

Also Present: Nate Nardi-Cyrus, Asst. City Planner and  
Wetlands Enforcement Officer

Not Present: Alexis Apruzzese, Member

**1. Call To Order:**

Chair Jay Bate, Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.; Room 218, City Hall Auditorium, 140 Main Street, Torrington, CT. The meeting was held in person at City Hall and via zoom online.

**2. Roll Call and Announcement:**

Chair Bate announced present and serving in person are Commissioners Christine Altman and Jay Bate. Also present is Nate Nardi-Cyrus, Asst. City Planner/Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer. Commissioners serving via zoom are Tomasz Kalinowski and Emily Jury.

**3. Minutes for Approval:**

a. 8/16/22

MOTION by Mr. Kalinowski to accept the 8/16/22 minutes, seconded by Ms. Altman, motion carried.

**4. Old Business:**

a. Applicant: Keith Bodwell  
Location: Alvord Park Road and Kennedy Drive (135/003/052)  
Activity: Three lot subdivision in upland review area

Keith Bodwell, PE from Bodwell Engineering appeared and presented updated site maps, with the proposed buildings removed from the mapping per request of the Commission at last month's meeting.

MOTION by Ms. Altman to APPROVE the application and grant a permit without the concept plan:

Applicant: Keith Bodwell  
Location: Alvord Park Road and Kennedy Drive (135/003/052)  
Activity: Three lot subdivision in upland review area

MOTION seconded by Mr. Kalinowski, unanimously carried.

- b. Applicant: David Alfano  
Location: Eagle Ridge (244/006/173)  
Activity: Wetland crossing, tree removal, and new home construction in upland review area

The applicant was not present in person or via zoom.

Mr. Nardi-Cyrus referred to his memo to the Commission. There were no additional comments from the Commission.

MOTION by Ms. Altman to APPROVE the application and grant a permit:

- Applicant: David Alfano
- Location: Eagle Ridge (244/006/173)
- Activity: Wetland crossing, tree removal, and new home construction in upland review area

MOTION seconded by Ms. Jury, unanimously carried.

- c. Applicant: Ken Hrica  
Location: 3222/3226 Tarringford Street  
Activity: Wetland filling, creation of constructed wetland, and improvements within the upland review area

Kenneth Hrica, PE, Hrica Engineering and Surveying appeared before the Commission. The background history of this project was briefly reviewed.

George Logan, Wetlands Scientist appeared via zoom and outlined his credentials. A wetlands mitigation plan was presented, and notes have been placed on the plans for the contractor. Ken Hrica distributed mitigation plans to Commission members.

Mr. Logan gave a presentation, he was on the site on July 11, 2022, and this is an isolated wetlands area. He has walked the entire property with the property owner. Mr. Logan provided details of his site walk and findings. Seeding and plantings were discussed, as well as the large number of shrubs planned. A detailed presentation was given by Mr. Logan.

Mr. Nardi-Cyrus reviewed his memo to the Commission.

Ms. Altman inquired about oversight of this project. Mr. Logan responded there will be a three year oversight of this restoration plan, by himself or another qualified person.

MOTION by Ms. Altman to APPROVE the application and grant a permit:

- Applicant: Ken Hrica
- Location: 3222/3226 Tarringford Street
- Activity: Wetland filling, creation of constructed wetland, and improvements within the upland review area

MOTION seconded by Mr. Kalinowski, unanimously carried.

**5. New Business:**

- a. Set Public Hearing for new wetlands map adoption

Mr. Nardi-Cyrus reviewed the process for adoption of a new wetlands map.

MOTION by Ms. Altman to set a public hearing date of October 18, 2022, motion seconded by Mr. Kalinowski, unanimously carried.

- b. Jurisdictional Determination  
Applicant: Torrington Water Company  
Location: East Albert Street  
Activity: Replacement of water main on bridge spanning Naugatuck River.

Briefly discussed by the Commission and Mr. Nardi-Cyrus.

MOTION by Ms. Altman to accept the above referenced application as an as-of-right use, motion seconded by Mr. Kalinowski, unanimously carried.

\*\*\*\*\* At this time, Mr. Kalinowski exited the meeting. \*\*\*\*\*

**6. Staff Report:**

- a. Enforcement Report – update

Mr. Nardi-Cyrus updated the Commission on the Timber Lake Court site. Mr. Nardi-Cyrus has been on site a couple times, and the site has been completely cleaned up.

- b. Agent Determinations:  
. 11 Heights Drive – Pool removal in URA  
. 47 Brightwood Avenue – Grading/retaining wall in URA  
. 811 Burr Mountain Road – Shed addition in URA  
. 57 Pondsides Lane – Uncovered deck in URA

Mr. Nardi-Cyrus reviewed the agent determinations issued since the last meeting.

**7. Adjournment:**

MOTION by Ms. Altman to adjourn at 7:32 p.m., seconded by Ms. Jury, unanimously carried.