

**CITY OF TORRINGTON  
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION  
SPECIAL MEETING  
MINUTES  
July 26, 2018**

Present: Jay Bate, Jr., Chairman  
Tom Telman, Member  
William Storti, Member  
Jane Bakker, Secretary/Member  
Tomasz Kalinowski, Member

Also Present: Rista Malanca, AICP; Wetlands Enforcement Officer

Not Present: Christine Altman, Vice Chair  
Jonathan Andrews, Member

**1. Call To Order:**

Chairman Jay Bate, Jr. called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.; Torrington City Hall, Room 218, City Hall Council Chambers, 140 Main Street, Torrington, CT

**2. Roll Call and Announcement:**

Chairman Bate announced present and serving on the Commission this evening will be Tom Telman, William Storti, Jane Bakker, Tomasz Kalinowski and Jay Bate. Also present is Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer Rista Malanca.

**3. New Business**

- a. Minor Modification to Inland Wetlands Permit WC 15-03-01  
Applicant: Daniel M. Gervais  
Location: 17 Tarringford Street  
Activity: Eliminate proposed 60' x 100' building, modify drainage and  
Add additional accessory structures

Ms. Malanca provided some background history of the previous permit and plans for this property. Storage containers and sheds have been placed on the property. Since the building is not going to be constructed, the drainage was reviewed and revised.

Mr. Gervais appeared and explained his proposal to the Commission. They are no longer planning to construct the 60' x 100' building. Maps were reviewed and Mr. Gervais answered questions from Commission members.

Mr. Gervais stated there are five containers on the property (some holding his household personal items). Ms. Malanca said these containers are placed on the ground, with no disturbance, but they will need a zoning permit. The major items are the removal of the building and the changes to the drainage per Ms. Malanca.

Ms. Malanca does not see any concerns with this modification.

MOTION by Ms. Bakker to APPROVE Minor Modification to IWC Permit WC 15-03-1 Applicant: Daniel M. Gervais, Location: 17 Tarringford Street; Activity: Eliminate proposed 60' x 100' building, modify drainage and add additional accessory structures. MOTION seconded by William Storti, unanimously carried.

b. Show/Cause Hearing

Property Owner: Berat and Festim Arjo  
Location: 207 Silverbrook Lane  
Hearing: Cease and Correct Order, work in regulated area without permits

Ms. Malanca provided background information, the City received a call that work was being doing without work. Photographs were taken, and reviewed by the Commission. Mr. Arjo came into the office right away to address the matter.

Mr. Jesse Bunce appeared representing the property owner. Mr. Bunce explained the area behind the house was cleared, and they want to fill that area and expand their lawn area. They have purchased an adjoining lot that will be used also.

Ms. Malanca explained this area is not wet, it is walkable. Ms. Malanca referred to a map, noting the wetlands areas toward the rear of the property. Photographs were reviewed by Commissioners, with details noted by Mr. Bunce. Most of the fill is coming from on site.

Ms. Malanca recommended that the Commission uphold her order, that the applicant submit an application, and she will issue an Agent Determination. If the Commission has concerns, she can address them as a condition of the permit.

MOTION by Ms. Bakker to uphold Ms. Malanca's Cease and Correct Order for work within a regulated area without permits for Berate and Festim Arjo, 207 Silverbrook Lane, motion seconded by Mr. Telman, unanimously carried.

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Boy Scouts were in attendance, and the Commission and Ms. Malanca acknowledged their presence.

**4. Adjournment:**

MOTION by Mr. Storti to adjourn at 6:52 p.m., seconded by Mr. Bate, unanimously carried.