



**CITY OF TORRINGTON  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
Meeting Minutes  
July 9, 2020 Regular Meeting**

1. Call to Order: In response to the Governor's Executive Orders regarding COVID-19, this meeting is being held remotely using the ZOOM online meeting platform and is open for public viewing using the login information provided on the posted agenda.

Meeting called to order at 6:40 pm

2. Roll Call & Announcements: Members present: Tomasz Kalinowski, Robert DeMallie, Christine Altman staff Jeremy Leifert and Ken Hrica, professional engineer.

Members Absent: Dan McGuiness, Jim Fedorich

Members of the public: One member of the public logged into the remote meeting.

3. Minutes:
  - a. June 11, 2020 Regular Meeting: **Motion to accept the minutes of the June 11, 2020 regular meeting as presented was made by T. Kalinowski and seconded by R. DeMallie. Motion passed unanimously.**

4. New Business:

- a. Torrington Fair Plaza, 1858 East Main Street  
Review and comment on conservation easements and revised site plan review

Ken Hrica, professional engineer, presented plans to the commission showing modifications to plans that were previously approved by City Planning and Zoning and Inland Wetlands Commissions. The commissions previously approved site work to construct a parking lot and build to be used as a future bank in the northwest portion of the property across the access road from McDonalds on a levelled "pad" area. The modified plans propose to change to a restaurant use instead of a bank and to adjust the building location within the approved pad. No changes to the size or location of the proposed pad area are proposed. The engineer testified that there will be an approximately 800 square foot reduction in impervious cover in the new proposal. No changes are proposed to stormwater plans exiting the site. J. Leifert presented the conservation easement documents that were filed on the land records. The Conservation Commission is required under the Zoning and Inland Wetlands regulations, as the holder of easement, to confirm that all of the conditions and restrictions of the easements are compliant. J. Leifert went through the specific restrictions and stated that in his opinion, all requirements and restrictions are being met for the proposed modified plans. He recommended that the commission make a motion that the proposed development plans are in compliance with the conditions and restrictions of the conservation easements on the property.

**Motion to determine that the plans as proposed are in compliance with the conditions and restrictions of the conservation easements on the property at 1858 East Main Street and to allow**

**staff to submit notifications to the appropriate boards and commissions was made by T. Kalinowski and seconded by R. DeMallie. Motion passed unanimously.**

5. Old Business:

- a. Continued discussion/schedule for open space parcel inventory and data collection

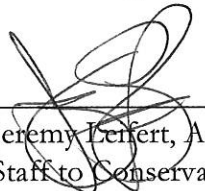
No action has occurred on this item since the May Commission meeting, but staff will send out a list of smaller parcels that can be done by single commission members. J. Leifert stated that some notifications for the next set of parcels to be reviewed were sent out months ago before COVID, so the members and staff can pick up with those. He will review which parcels those were and send them out to the commission.

6. Communications: None

7. Adjournment:

**Motion to adjourn was made by T. Kalinowski and seconded by R. DeMallie. Motion passed unanimously.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm

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Jeremy Leifert, Asst. City Planner  
Staff to Conservation Commission  
*Cc: City Clerk, Mayor's Office*