



**CITY OF TORRINGTON
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes
August 13, 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 6:37 pm

2. Roll Call & Announcements: Members present: Tomasz Kalinowski, Robert DeMallie, Dan McGuinness, Jim Fedorich, and staff Jeremy Leifert

Members Absent: Christine Altman

Members of the public: None

3. Minutes:
 - a. July 9, 2020 Regular Meeting: **Motion to accept the minutes of the July 9, 2020 regular meeting as presented was made by J. Fedorich and seconded by D. McGuinness. Motion passed unanimously.**

4. New Business:

- a. **50 Persechino Drive**
Review and comment on proposed back yard drainage project and conservation easements review

J. Leifert presented a draft of a memo to the commission and shared hand sketch plans submitted by the property owner and public works maps of the area stormwater drainage to the Commission. In the absence of the owners at the meeting, J. Leifert summarized the proposed under-drains proposed for the back yard, which has been consistently wet and muddy over the past few years. The property contains a conservation easement over existing wetlands on the eastern property boundary, which is the purpose for the Conservation Commission review. J. Leifert stated that no direct impacts to the easement are proposed. Discussion ensued on the area wetlands and the impacts to the back yard of the property. J. Leifert stated that a wetlands application would be required for the project, but according to the regulations, the wetlands application cannot be submitted until written notice is submitted from the Conservation Commission that there is no effect on the conservation easement held by the City. The commission reviewed and discussed the draft memo.

Motion to determine that the plans as proposed are in compliance with the conditions and restrictions of the conservation easements on the property at 50 Persechino Drive and to accept the language of the draft memo as presented was made by T. Kalinowski and seconded by J. Fedorich. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Old Business:

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

J. Leifert stated that the open space map was scanned today so it can be shared with the commission members. The commission agreed to have staff send out the map and identify the next group of properties to review prior to the next meeting. 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.

6. Communications: None

7. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn was made by D. McGuiness and seconded by J. Fedorich. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:52 pm



8-27-20

Jeremy Leifert, Asst. City Planner
Staff to Conservation Commission

Cc: City Clerk, Mayor's Office