




City of Torrington
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING AGENDA

Thursday November 12, 2020

In response to the Governor's Executive Orders regarding COVID-19, this meeting will be held remotely using the ZOOM online meeting platform. Members of the public wishing to listen to the meeting in real time can do so by calling 1-646-558-8656 or using the ZOOM app.
(Meeting ID: 795-950-7035, Passcode 907148).

1. Call to Order:
6:30 p.m., conducted remotely using the ZOOM meeting platform
2. Roll Call & Announcements:
Members: Chris Altman, Dan McGuinness, Tomasz Kalinowski, Robert DeMaille & staff
Jeremy Leifert
3. Minutes:
 - a. August 13, 2020 Regular Meeting
4. New Business:
 - a. Discussion of commission vacancies
5. Old Business:
 - a. Continued discussion/schedule for open space parcel inventory and data collection
6. Communications:
 - a. 52 Summer Street (Torrington Towers) - Proposed wireless communication facility modification
7. Adjournment:


11-10-20

Jeremy Leifert, Assistant City Planner
Staff to Conservation Commission



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

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

Conservation Commission

Basic Information

Type

Commissions

Description

Seven Members and Two Alternates Three Members Constitute Quorum

Contact Information

Board Seats



Seat	Member Name	Title	Appointed By	Status	Appointed Date	Start	Calculated End
Seat 1	Christine Altman	Chair	Mayor	Active	1/6/2020	9/5/2019	9/4/2022
Seat 2	Dan McGuinness	Member	Mayor	Active	1/6/2020	9/5/2019	9/4/2022
Seat 4	James Fedorich	Member	Mayor	Expired	10/2/2017	9/5/2017	9/4/2020
Seat 6	Rana Justice Rylander-Strawson	Member	Mayor	Active	4/1/2019	4/1/2019	9/3/2021
Seat 7	Robert DeMallie	Member	Mayor	Active	4/1/2019	9/5/2018	9/4/2021
Alternate	(Vacant)		Mayor	Vacant		9/5/2018	9/4/2021
Alternate	(Vacant)		Mayor	Vacant		9/5/2020	9/4/2023
Seat 3	(Vacant)		Mayor	Vacant		9/5/2020	9/4/2023
Seat 5	Tomasz Kalinowski	Vice Chair	Mayor	Active	1/6/2020	9/5/2019	9/4/2022





Date: October 30, 2020

To: Conservation Commission
City Hall, Room 324
140 Main St.
Torrington, CT 06790

Re: Proposed Wireless Communication Facility Modification
52 Summer Street
Torrington, CT

To comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966, as amended, T-Mobile Northeast, LLC and affiliates (T-Mobile) have retained All-Points Technology Corporation, P.C. (APT) to evaluate proposed tower facilities for any adverse effect they may have on historic properties. As part of this evaluation, and in conformance with the Nationwide Programmatic Agreement (NPA) for review of effects on historic properties for proposed undertakings, APT is submitting this notification to the City of Torrington.

T-Mobile is proposing to modify an existing rooftop wireless communications facility at 52 Summer Street in Torrington, CT. T-Mobile will remove one (1) antenna each from three (3) locations and install nine (9) new antennas and six (6) remote radio units, three (3) and two (2) each respectively at each of three (3) locations. Nine (9) coaxial cables will be removed and replaced with nine (9) hybrid cables. Two (2) new cabinets will be added on a new steel platform mounted to the existing penthouse façade.

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that the public notice of this proposed facility will be published in the Register Citizen on Friday, October 30, 2020 and to invite written comments from relevant individuals or groups that you may be aware of regarding any potential effects that the proposed facility may have upon historic properties.

Any comments regarding potential effects on historic properties may be submitted within 30 days from the date of this publication to: All-Points Technology Corporation, 567 Vauxhall St. Ext. – Suite 311, Waterford, CT 06385, to the attention of Jennifer Young Gaudet, (860) 798-66301697, ext. 231, jyounggaudet@allpointstech.com. Please respond within 30 days if you wish to comment.