

CALL TO ORDER:

Place: City Hall

MEMBERS	NAME:	PRESENT	ABSENT
REGULAR MEMBERS	Zachary Fisk (Chairman)	X	
	Chet Reed (Vice Chairman)		X
	David Rooks (Secretary)	X	
	Michael Robinson	X	
	James Carros	X	
	Daniel Massaro, Jr.	X	
	David Scarritt		X
ALTERNATE MEMBERS	Carolyn Checovetes		X
	Richard Ministro	X	
	Vacant		
STAFF	Nancy Levesque, P.E., City Engineer	X	
	Andrew Armstrong, Asst. City Planner	X	

Chairman Fisk led a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members and Staff were introduced. Alternate Ministro was seated.

There was no Public Participation.

1. Approval of Minutes – December 1, 2021

By: Robinson Seconded: Carros
 For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
 Against: None.
 Abstained: None.

MOTION: Move to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2021, regular meeting.

By: Robinson Seconded: Carros
For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.

Abstained: None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

3. Application 1952 – Wetlands application for a new nine lot residential subdivision on Perkins Street; Assessor's Map 62, Lots 7 & 8; Lincoln & D'Amato, LLC, applicant.
4. Application 1958 – Wetlands boundary change application for the revision of the wetlands boundary based upon soil scientist survey at Perkins Street; Assessor's Map 62, Lots 7 & 8; Lincoln & D'Amato, LLC, applicant.

The Commission received the following items in their electronic packets: nine photographs dated November 2, 2021, entitled "Photos: Application 1952 – Wetlands application for a new nine lot residential subdivision at the Southwest corner of James P. Casey Road and Perkins Street; Assessor's Map 62, Lots 7 & 8; Lincoln & D'Amato, LLC, applicant, Photo 1: Looking west at proposed subdivision area from southeast of property above Perkins Street; Photo 2: Looking north to James P Casey Road along edge of vegetation at west of property; Photo 3: James P. Casey Road, looking west toward wetland area and culvert; Photo 4: James P Casey Road, looking east toward Perkins Street; Photo 5: Looking northwest at culvert crossing and stream on south side of James P. Casey Road; Photo 6: Looking northeast at wetland flags 13 and 14 toward James P. Casey Road; Photo 7: Looking north towards James P Casey Road; Photo 7: Looking north towards James P Casey Road; Photo 8: Conditions above flagged wetland area in vegetated area in southwest area of property; Photo 9: Wetlands on "Open Space" designated area at Southwest area of property and a revised report dated December 17, 2021, from Soil Resource Consultants, regarding Wetland Delineation – MBL: 62-8 – Corner of James P. Casey Rd. and Perkins St., Bristol, CT (attached map.)

MOTION: Move to open the Public Hearing for Application #1952.

By: Robinson
For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

Seconded: Carros

The Public Hearing was opened.

MOTION: Move to open the Public Hearing for Application #1958.

By: Robinson
For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

Seconded: Carros

The Public Hearing was opened.

Chairman Fisk explained the applications would be heard concurrently and voted on separately.

Attorney James Ziogas, 104 Bellevue Ave., explained there will be no wetland disturbance. The upland review area will be effected. To remediate impact a 22% conservation easement has been agreed to, in excess of the required 15%, as well as, a Staff approved maintenance schedule will be recorded on the Land Record.

David Lord, CSS, EC, Soil Resource Consultants, 26 Blueberry Ln., Meriden, described site conditions and the findings disclosed in his December 3, 2021 report of his site assessment.

John Ring, 314 Perkins Street, questioned the impact to trout population of the adjacent brook.

Attorney James Ziogas, 104 Bellevue Ave., explained the proposed activity does not include any Public Improvements.

Robert Hiltbrand, RR Hiltbrand Engineering & Surveying LLC, Bristol, CT, confirmed there is no surface flow to the wetlands of the site.

Staff Member Levesque, P.E., City Engineer, recommended approval with additional stipulations of Conservation easements and markers be specified for all wetland areas, stormwater management guidelines be recorded for stormwater system maintenance, preserved Wetland area/Open Space area shall include a maintenance plan with maintenance responsibilities, including litter and invasive removal, geotechnical data be provided to support design volumes and assure performance of the dry wells during wet season. Engineering design shall direct the driveway areas to the water quality systems, foundation drains shall not be directly discharged to the City's storm drain without providing groundwater recharge volume. All connections to the City system will require a stormwater connection license and approval by the City Engineer.

No one else spoke in favor of the application.

No one spoke against the application.

MOTION: Move to close the Public Hearing for Application #1952.

By: Robinson Seconded: Carros
For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

The Public Hearing was closed.

MOTION: Move to close the Public Hearing for Application #1958.

By: Robinson Seconded: Carros
For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

The Public Hearing was closed.

MOTION: Move to approve Application 1952 – Wetlands application for a new nine lot residential subdivision at the Southwest corner of James P. Casey Road and Perkins Street; Assessor's Map 62, Lots 7 & 8; Lincoln & D'Amato, LLC, applicant, in accordance with the plot plan, information submitted, with standard stipulations and additional stipulations of Conservation easements and markers be specified for all wetland areas, stormwater management guidelines be recorded for stormwater system maintenance, preserved Wetland area/Open Space area shall include a maintenance plan with maintenance responsibilities, including litter and invasive removal, geotechnical data be provided to support design volumes and assure performance of the dry wells during wet season. Engineering design shall direct the driveway areas to the water quality systems, foundation drains shall not be directly discharged to the City's storm drain without providing groundwater recharge volume. All connections to the City system will require a stormwater connection license and approval by the City Engineer.

By: Robinson Seconded: Carros
For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

The application was approved.

MOTION: Move to approve, with Application # 1958 – Wetlands boundary change application for the revision of the wetlands boundary based upon soil scientist survey at Perkins Street; Assessor's Map 62, Lots 7 & 8; Lincoln & D'Amato, LLC, applicant, in accordance with the plot plan, information submitted and standard stipulations with maintenance responsibilities, including litter and invasive removal, geotechnical data be provided.

By: Robinson Seconded: Carros
For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

The application was approved.

MOTION: Move to amend the approval of Application # 1958 to include an effective date of January 31, 2022.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Carros

For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

5. Application 1957 – Wetlands boundary change application for the revision of the wetlands boundary based upon soil scientist survey at Redstone Hill Road; Assessor's Map 3, Lot 40A; James Lovett, applicant.

The Commission received the following items in their electronic packets: a letter dated September 22, 2021, from Jason Gagnon, ZEO, Environmental Protection Technician, regarding a Notice, Filling and Grading within a Regulated Area, Lot 40A, Redstone Hill Road, Bristol, CT (attached map); a report, dated October 20, 2021; from Soil Resource Consultants to Katrina Lovett, regarding Soil Investigation for Wetland Determination - Lot 3-40 - Redstone Hill Road, Bristol, CT; and five photographs dated November 24, 2021, entitled "Photo 1: Looking south along west property line; Photo 2: Looking east along north property line; Photo 3: Looking southeast from west property line into property; Photo 4: Looking southwest across property; Photo 5: Offsite – looking north.

MOTION: Move to open the Public Hearing for Application #1957.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Carros

For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

The Public Hearing was opened.

David Lord, CSS, EC, Soil Resource Consultants, 26 Blueberry Ln., Meriden, explained there are currently no wetland soils on the property and discussed the finding of his September 27, 2021 field work at the site.

Carina Lovett, applicant, spoke to a posted sign stating where woodchips are to be dumped, for the purpose of growing organic vegetables.

Ken and Cathy Archambault, 40 Jamesdrew Lane, voiced concerns that the woodchips being dumped on the property are over 4 ft. deep, killing the trees which hold the bank and are being pushed over the bank, beyond the property line.

Staff Member Levesque, P.E., City Engineer, recommended approval with standard stipulations.

No one else spoke in favor of the application.

No one spoke against the application.

MOTION: Move to close the Public Hearing for Application #1957.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Carros

For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

The Public Hearing was closed.

MOTION: Move to approve with a January 31, 2022 effective date, Application #1957 – Wetlands boundary change application for the revision of the wetlands boundary based upon soil scientist survey at Redstone Hill Road; Assessor's Map 3, Lot 40A; James Lovett, applicant, in accordance with the plot plan, information submitted and standard stipulations.

By: Robinson
For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

Seconded: Carros

The application was approved.

6. Application 1960 – Wetlands boundary change application for the revision of the wetlands boundary based upon soil scientist survey at Business Park Drive Lot 3; Assessor's Map 3, Lot 3; City of Bristol Public Works, applicant.
7. Application 1961 – Wetlands boundary change application for the revision of the wetlands boundary based upon soil scientist survey at Business Park Drive Lot 9; Assessor's Map 3, Lot 9; City of Bristol Public Works, applicant.
8. Application 1962 – Wetlands boundary change application for the revision of the wetlands boundary based upon soil scientist survey at Business Park Drive Lot 10; Assessor's Map 3, Lot 10; City of Bristol Public Works, applicant.

The Commission received the following items in their electronic packets: a report entitled "Wetland and Watercourse Evaluation Report, Southeast Bristol Business Park, Project Lot 3, Lot 9 & Lot 10 Bristol, Connecticut. Prepared for: Mr. Raymond Rogozinski, Director of Public Works, 111 North Main St., Bristol, CT 06010. Prepared by: BL Companies, 355 Research Parkway, Meriden, CT 06450, Dated: September 23, 2021"; Resumes of Sagan Simko, CPSS, PWS and Wesley g. Wolf.

Chairman Fisk explained that Applications #1960, #1961 and #1962 would be heard concurrently, but voted on separately.

MOTION: Move to open the Public Hearing for Application #1960.

By: Robinson
For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

Seconded: Carros

The Public Hearing was opened.

MOTION: Move to open the Public Hearing for Application #1961.

By: Robinson
For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

Seconded: Carros

The Public Hearing was opened.

MOTION: Move to open the Public Hearing for Application #1962.

By: Robinson
For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

Seconded: Carros

The Public Hearing was opened.

Ms. Levesque recommended approval with standard stipulations.

By: Robinson Seconded: Rooks
 For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
 Against: None.
 Abstained: None.

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 For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
 Against: None.
 Abstained: None.

By: Robinson Seconded: Rooks
 For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
 Against: None.
 Abstained: None.

By: Robinson Seconded: Carros
 For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
 Against: None.
 Abstained: None.

By: Robinson Seconded: Carros
 For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
 Against: None.
 Abstained: None.

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MOTION: Move to approve with a January 31, 2022 effective date, Application 1962 – Wetlands boundary change application for the revision of the wetlands boundary based upon soil scientist survey at Business Park Drive Lot 10; Assessor's Map 3, Lot 10; City of Bristol Public Works, applicant, in accordance with the plot plan and information submitted.

By: Robinson
For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

Seconded: Carros

The application was approved.

NEW APPLICATIONS:

9. Application 1963 – Wetlands boundary change application for the revision of the wetlands boundary based upon soil scientist survey at 1960 Perkins Street; Assessor's Map 58, Lot 16-1; LED, LLC, applicant.
10. Application 1964 – Wetlands application for a new ten lot residential subdivision at 1960 Perkins Street; Assessor's Map 58; Lot 16-1; LED, LLC, applicant.

The Commission received the following item in their electronic packets: a report dated December 21, 2021, from James McManus, MS, CPSS of JMM Wetland Consulting Services, LLC, entitled "*Appendix D, Wetlands/Watercourses and Soil Report*"; a report dated December 22, 2021, from Joseph Green, P.E., Robert Green Associates, LLC, entitled "*Supporting Documents, Meadow View Farm Subdivision, Perkins Street and Southdown Drive, Bristol, CT*"; a storm drainage report dated June 1990, entitled "*Storm Drainage Report, Barnes Subdivision, Perkins Street, Westwood Road, Hilltop Subdivision, from A.F. Lepore, Jr., P.E., LS*"; a page of comments for Application #1963, undated; a report dated June 29, 1990, from David Lord, CSS, EC, entitled "*Hilltop Subdivision, Environmental Assessment of Proposed Wetland Impacts*"; a letter dated July 13, 1988, from Soil Resource Consultants, to BaaBaa Associates, regarding the property; from David Lord, CSS, EC; a report dated June 27, 1990, from Augustine Lepore, Jr., P.E., LS, entitled "*Plan for Maintenance and Emergency Operations for Detention Ponds, Located on Lots 37, 38 Hart Street, 16-17 Perkins Street, Hilltop Subdivision, Bristol, Connecticut*"; a copy of the permit condition and/or modifications, dated August 24, 1990 (attached map.)

Staff Member Levesque informed the Commission that applications #1963 and #1964 were complete.

Chairman Fisk explained that Applications #1963, and #1964 would be heard concurrently, but voted on separately.

MOTION: Move to receive Application #1963.

By: Robinson
For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

Seconded: Carros

The application was received.

MOTION: Move to receive Application #1964.

By: Robinson
For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

Seconded: Carros

The application was received.

Attorney James Ziogas, 104 Bellevue Ave., acknowledged that both applications were likely to be deemed significant activities and requested they be scheduled Public Hearings and a site visit.

MOTION: Move to declare Application #1963 a significant activity and to set a public hearing for the February 2, 2022 meeting, following an onsite inspection.

By: Reed
For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

The application is declared a significant activity.

MOTION: Move to declare Application #1964 a significant activity and to set a public hearing for the February 2, 2022 meeting, following an onsite inspection.

By: Reed
For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

The application is declared a significant activity.

11. Application 1965 – Wetlands application for a new single-family residential home at 622 Village Street; Assessor's Map 58; Lot 35; Elizabeth A. Kusmider, applicant.

The Commission received the following item in their electronic packets: a report dated December 21, 2021, from James McManus, MS, CPSS of JMM Wetland Consulting Services, LLC, entitled "*Appendix D, Wetlands/Watercourses and Soil Report*"; a report dated December 22, 2021, from Joseph Green, P.E., Robert Green Associates, LLC, entitled "*Supporting Documents, Meadow View Farm Subdivision, Perkins Street and Southdown Drive, Bristol, CT*"; a storm drainage report dated June 1990, entitled "*Storm Drainage Report, Barnes Subdivision, Perkins Street, Westwood Road, Hilltop Subdivision, from A.F. Lepore, Jr., P.E., LS*"; a page of comments for Application #1963, undated; a report dated June 29, 1990, from David Lord, CSS, EC, entitled "*Hilltop Subdivision, Environmental Assessment of Proposed Wetland Impacts*"; a letter dated July 13, 1988, from Soil Resource Consultants, to BaaBaa Associates, regarding the property; from David Lord, CSS, EC; a report dated June 27, 1990, from Augustine Lepore, Jr., P.E., LS, entitled "*Plan for Maintenance and Emergency Operations for Detention Ponds, Located on Lots 37, 38 Hart Street, 16-17 Perkins Street, Hilltop Subdivision, Bristol, Connecticut*"; a copy of the permit condition and/or modifications, dated August 24, 1990 (attached map.)

Staff Member Levesque informed the Commission that application 1965 was complete.

MOTION: Move to receive Application #1965.

By: Robinson
For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

The application was received.

Jim Cassidy, P.E., Hallisey, Pearson & Cassidy Engineering Associates, Cromwell, CT, explained the proposed activity will impact the 100 ft. upland review area and that the proposed activity is previously approved activity updated to meet current set requirements. The proposed activity included installation of a rain garden with appropriate plantings and a sump pump pit.

Staff Member Levesque recommended approval with the additional stipulations that placards be installed 25 ft. off flagged wetlands and that the applicant record the updated conservation easement and stormwater management guidelines with the City Clerk.

MOTION: Move to declare Application #1965 a non-significant activity.

By: Robinson
For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.

Seconded: Carros

Against: None.
 Abstained: None.

The application was declared a non-significant activity.

MOTION: Move to approve Application #1965, stipulating that placards be installed 25 ft. off flagged wetlands and that the applicant record the updated conservation easement and stormwater management guidelines with the City Clerk., in addition to the standard stipulations and previous stipulations.

By: Robinson
 For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
 Against: None.
 Abstained: None.

Seconded: Carros

The application was approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

12. Emergency Repair – 50 George Street, Assessor's Map 31, Lot 101; Jonathan Dell' Aera, property owner.

The Commission received the following items in their electronic packets: six photographs: photograph 1, untitled and dated December 28, 2021; photograph 2, untitled and dated December 28, 2021; photograph 3, untitled and dated December 28, 2021; photograph 4, untitled and dated December 28, 2021; photograph 5, untitled and dated December 28, 2021 and photograph 6, untitled and dated December 28, 2021.

MOTION Move to approve the activity requested per the enforcement order as a temporary, emergency repair and that the owner is to be responsible for all state, federal and local permits required.

By: Robinson
 For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
 Against: None.
 Abstained: None.

Seconded: Carros

The activity was approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

13. Site plan revisions and slope stability report – 155 Pine Street

MOTION Move to file the 155 Pine Street site plan revisions and slope stability report.

By: Robinson
 For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
 Against: None.
 Abstained: None.

Seconded: Carros

The report was filed.

Staff-Approved Applications/Unpublished:

14. Administrative Applications Approved

App.# Approved Administrative	Street No.	Address	Purpose of App.
101982	201	Terryville Road	Propane tanks
101983	153	Sims Road	Replace fence
101984	41	Thistle Lane	Propane tank
101985	28	Janice Lane	Propane tanks
101986	190	Sonstrom Road	Fence

MOTION Move to file Staff approved applications report.

The report was filed.

15. IWEQ Monthly Reports – December 2021

Jason Gagnon, Environmental Protection Technician

The report was filed.

16. Urban Forestry Climate Change Grant Program

The Commission received the following item(s) in their electronic packets: a page last updated December 26, 2021, from CT Urban Forest Council, regarding the Urban Forestry Climate Change Grant Program.

There were no action items.

16. 16 Andrews Street – Email

The Commission received the following item(s) in their electronic packets: an e-mail dated December 1, 2021, from Carol Noble, P.E., to Attorney Dwight Merriam, regarding 16 Andrews St.

MOTION Move to file the 16 Andrews Street email dated December 1, 2021.

The communication was filed.

17. Office Elections

NOMINATIONS:

Nomination for Secretary: David Rooks was nominated by Michael Robinson and seconded by James Carros.
David Rooks accepted the nomination.

For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

David Rook was appointed Secretary.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Move to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

By: Robinson Seconded: Rooks
For: Ministro, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

This meeting was taped.

Respectfully submitted,
Robin Klug

Zachary Fisk, Chairman
Inland Wetlands Commission

David Rooks, Secretary