

**BRISTOL INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 2, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER:

By: Chairman Fisk

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Place: City Hall

ROLL CALL:

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	
	James Ritchie	X	
STAFF	Carol Noble, P.E., Environmental Engineer	X	
	Andrew Armstrong, Assistant City Planner	X	

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (NON-PENDING APPLICATIONS):**

Mary Rydingsward, President of Pequabuck River Watershed Association, 176 Marsha Dr., representing the Pequabuck River Watershed Association explained they would like to create a stand-alone Conservation Commission because the conservation items do not get the attention that is needed. She reviewed the three State Statutes functions required for a Conservation Commission. She reviewed some concerns that the IWWC Agency as a regulatory body was too busy to have a well-functioning Conservation Commission. She felt it was important to have a voice for Conservation and they needed a process for agendas, discussions and observations, which are usually at the end of the Inland Wetlands Commission agendas. She hoped the Commission will support this while they try to move the through the Ordinance process. She explained the Commission may contact her to discuss this concern.

INTRODUCTIONS AND SEATING OF ALTERNATES:

Chairman Fisk reminded the Commission the next Regular Meeting of the Inland Wetland Commission was Wednesday, March 2, 2022. He also designated alternate Commissioners Ritchie and Checovetes to vote alternatively on Applications #1963 and #1964; Application #1966; Application #1968; Application #1969 in place of regular Commissioner Reed's absence this evening. In Addition, he designated alternate Commissioner Ministro to vote on Application #1970 in place of place of regular Commissioner Reed's absence this evening.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

1. Approval of Minutes – January 22, 2022 (Site Walk)

MOTION: Move to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2022, site walk meeting.

By: Carros

Seconded: Rooks.

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. 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.
2. 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.

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

The Commission received the following items in their electronic packets: a report dated December 21, 2021, from James McManus, MS, CPSS of JMM Wetland Consulting Services, LLC to Richard Green, P.E., Robert Green Associates, LLC, "entitled "Appendix D, Wetlands/Watercourses and Soil Report"; a report entitled *"Supporting Documents, Meadow View Farm subdivision, Perkins Street and Southdown Drive, Bristol, CT, dated December 22, 2021, prepared by Robert Green Associates, LLC, Joseph Green, P.E."*; a report entitled *"Storm Drainage Report, Barnes subdivision, Perkins Street – Westwood Road, Hilltop subdivision, dated June 27, 1990, prepared by A.F. Lepore, Jr., P.E., L.S."* a report entitled "Hilltop Subdivision, Environmental Assessment of Proposed Wetlands Impacts, June 29, 1990, by David Lord, CSS, EC"; Wetlands Review Comments, undated; and a report entitled "Plan for Maintenance and Emergency Operations for Detention Ponds, Located on Lots 37, 38, Hart St. 16-17 Perkins St., Hilltop Subdivision, Bristol, CT, prepared by Augustine Lepore, Jr., P.E., LS, 75 Meadow St., Bristol, CT 06010, dated June 27, 1990.

Attorney James Ziogas, 104 Bellevue Ave., representing the applicant, gave an overview and requested a continuance of both applications because the soil scientist was unavailable until next month. The proposal is for a 10-lot subdivision on 12.5 acres; 3 lots access on Southdown Dr. and 7 lots access on Perkins St. There is existing City sewer and water services. A portion of Southdown Dr. required a 100 ft. extension with a drainage easement to a detention pond on the adjacent property. The lot requirements are in excess of the R-25 zone. The map for approval showed delineated inland wetlands area and if required a conservation area be established to protect the inland wetland areas. If approved, they would have stakes at placed at 75 ft. intervals to delineate the inland wetlands area. Only an extension of Southdown Dr. would be constructed, which was approved when the stub was provided by the Planning Commission so the road may be extended. They would re-delineate the plans to allow them to file a subdivision application with the Planning Commission.

No one spoke in favor of the application.

The following persons did not speak in favor or against application, but had inquiries: Mark and Stacy Williamson, 164 Southdown Dr.; and Jennifer and Jason Vallee, 165 Southdown Dr. The Williamson's had concerns of the property being developed to the rear of their property. The Vallee's had concerns for storm water runoff becoming a problem on their property.

Public audience inquires: Attorney Ziogas explained they would be required to reinstall sidewalks and sidewalks on the cul-de-sac, unless the Planning Commission approved any requests to waive the sidewalks in this part of the subdivision. Any existing sidewalks in front of their houses would be there when the subdivision is done. The existing cul-de-sac would be abandoned and the construction of the property in front of their property would be their property. He was unsure of the mailboxes, but would inform them at next month's meeting. The sq. ft. of the houses had not been developed at this time, but would be discussed at the Planning Commission meetings.

Chairman Fisk explained to the public audience the Commission would review additional items/details for the application at the March meeting. Also, these would be discussed with the various Land Use Commissions.

MOTION: Move to receive Application #1963.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Carros.

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

The application is received.
The application was declared a complete application.

MOTION: Move to continue Application #1963 and declare it a significant activity and set a public hearing for the March 2, 2022 meeting.

By: Robinson Seconded: Carros.

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

MOTION: Move to receive Application #1964.

By: Robinson Seconded: Carros.

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

The Application #1963 is received.
The Application #1963 was declared a complete application.

MOTION: Move to continue Application #1964 and declare it a significant activity and set a public hearing for March 2, 2022 meeting.

By: Robinson Seconded: Carros.

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

No one else spoke in favor of the application.
No one spoke against the application.

The Applications #1963 and #1964 were continued to the March 2, 2022 meeting.

NEW APPLICATIONS:

3. Application 1966 – Wetlands application to extend the sanitary sewer line to service two additional lots at 183 Fox Den Road; Assessor's Map 56, Lots 56-40, 56-40-16; Delta Realty Corporation, applicant.

Thomas Catucci of Delta Realty Corporation, 183 Fox Den Rd., explained he had a previous application with the Commission a few months ago to delineate the wetlands and there were no wetlands on the property. The proposed activity was in the buffer zone, but he was unsure if the request may be an administrative request. There is an existing sewer system and the proposed system would be connected to the existing system to service two additional lots. A portion of the work is in the 100 ft. buffer area.

Ms. Noble reminded the Commission of the previous boundary change approval that removed wetlands boundary to the property line. The soil scientist report indicated no wetlands on the property. The proposed work is in the regulated upland review area, and is greater than 10 cubic yds. disturbance. Therefore, an application was filed. She recommended it an insignificant activity and recommended approval.

By: Robinson Seconded: Carros.

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

The application is received.
The application was declared a complete application.

MOTION: Move to declare Application #1966 a non-significant activity.

By: Robinson Seconded: Carros.

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

The application was declared a non-significant activity.

No one else spoke in favor of the application.
No one spoke against the application.

MOTION: Move to approve Application #1966 – Wetlands application to extend the sanitary sewer line to service two additional lots at 183 Fox Den Road; Assessor's Map 56, Lots 56-40, 56-40-16; Delta Realty Corporation, applicant, in accordance with the plot plan and information submitted with standard stipulations.

By: Robinson Seconded: Carros.

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

The application was approved with standard stipulations.

4. Application 1968 – Wetlands application for a one-mile-long hiking trail including elevated boardwalks and viewing platforms at 175 Shrub Road; Assessor's Map 57, Lots 8, 8-1, & Rear 12; Scott Heth, applicant.

The Commission received of the following items in their electronic packets: a letter dated January 24, 2022, from Scott Heth of the Environmental Learning Centers of CT, Inc., regarding Environmental Learning Centers of Connecticut's Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Permit Application for the Construction of a Universally Accessible Trail at Harry C. Barnes Memorial Nature Center; a summary entitled "Application Requirements for Section 7 of the "Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the City of Bristol"; an appendix entitled "Appendix: Site Plan, Structural Design Drawings, and Referenced Photographs (8 photographs); a CT DEEP form Statewide Inland Wetlands Watercourses Activity Reporting Form; and a report dated January 22, 2022, from JMM Wetland Consulting Services, LLC, regarding Wetland Delineations and Description Proposed Trail, Wallace Barnes Nature Center, 175 Shrub Rd.

Ms. Noble, P.E., Environmental Engineer, explained this non-profit facility requested an application fee waiver by the Commission. The application fee was not received because they had not reviewed the request yet.

Scott Heth, Executive Director, Environmental Learning Centers of CT, Inc., 501 Wolcott Rd., representing the applicant, explained this was a one-mile accessible nature trail (5 ft. wide), which would minimize impact to the inland wetland (which was delineated by the soil scientist). The walkway through the inland wetlands would be a boardwalk. There would be no digging, but they would have 2 ft. x 2 ft. x 4-inch-thick pads (and attached posts). The area outside of the inland wetland area would be gravel with stone dust in a frame (recycled plastic/lumber). There would be minimal clearing for this curved trail. Five ft. away from the brook there would be two bridges (pre-fabricated fiberglass & footings), which will span the brook to minimize impact.

There would be shelters on footings near the brook, which would have minimum impact. He reviewed some photos.

Commission inquiries: Mr. Heth explained the access openings would be approx. every 20 ft. for drainage and for wildlife passage. The wildlife would be able to go in the gaps in the boardwalk. He reviewed the boardwalk construction process and materials. The design was based on the Fort River Accessible Trail, Silvio O. Conte National Wildlife Refuge, Hadley, MA (no concerns 9 years). They looked at different contractors options, but they required digging in the inland wetlands. He described the screw anchors (height) that would prevent displacement for potential flooding. There was no concern with the pre-fab crossings in any flood events. The frame would prevent the stone dust from moving and minimize maintenance, and this is outside of the regulated wetlands. They have an endowment fund and volunteers for the maintenance.

The Commission was concerned of weight of the structures and potential displacement or movement in the wetland area. They requested a site walk in the spring to review the site.

Ms. Noble inquiries: Mr. Heth briefly reviewed the educational programs that would be provided at the facility. He detailed how the shelters would be used for classrooms. They may submit a future permit for enhancement of the wetland areas.

Ms. Noble, P.E., noted the construction requires a Building Dept. permit. She summarized why staff would recommend this as an insignificant activity and that the application be approved with stipulations; and to schedule a site visit for April.

MOTION: Move to waive the application fee for the Environmental Learning Center - Application #1968.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Carros.

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

MOTION: Move to receive Application #1968.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Carros.

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

The application is received.
The application was declared a complete application.

MOTION: Move to declare Application #1968 a non-significant activity.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Carros

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

The application was declared a non-significant activity.

No one else spoke in favor of the application.
No one spoke against the application.

MOTION: Move to approve Application #1968 with standard stipulations including a site visit to be scheduled in April.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Carros.

For: Checovetes, Scarritt, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

The application was approved with stipulations.

5. Application 1969 – Wetlands boundary change application for the revision of the wetlands boundary based upon soil scientist survey at 16 Andrews Street; Assessor's Map 38, Lots 62-4, 62-4A, & 61-5; 16 Andrews Street LLC, applicant.
6. Application 1970 – Wetlands application for a paved parking lot and area of grading at 16 Andrews Street; Assessor's Map 38, Lots 62-4, 62-4A, & 61-5; 16 Andrews Street LLC, applicant.

Chairman Fisk explained Applications #1969 and #1970 would be heard concurrently, but voted on separately.

Chairman Fisk designated alternate Commissioner Ritchie to vote on Application #1969 in place of regular Commissioner Reed with his absence this evening. He also designated alternate Commissioner Ministro to vote on Application #1970 in place of regular Commissioner Reed with his absence this evening.

The Commission received of the following items in their electronic packets: Staff Comments, undated; a report dated August 9, 2021, from Michael Klein of Davidson Environmental; (3.) a Description of the Subject Property; (4.) a Description of the Proposed Activity And Its Purpose; an agreement entitled "City of Bristol Small Business Grant, Administered by the Bristol Development Authority, Commercial Grant Agreement, dated June 25, 2019; a Notice of Violation and Request for Voluntary Compliance, dated November 24, 2020, from Edward Spyros, ZEO (attached documents); 2021 meteorological data set, undated; a referral letter dated June 24, 2021, from the Zoning Commission to the Planning Commission; an approval letter dated July 15, 2021, from the Zoning Commission; a report entitled "Drainage Calculations, Quick Auto Sales and Repair, 16 Andrews St., Bristol, CT, 06010, dated January 24, 2022, from Torres Engineering, Inc. and a letter dated January 24, 2022, from Michael Klein of Davison Environmental to Dwight Merriam, Esq., regarding 16 Andrews St.

Vllaznim Sadriu, 16 Andrews Street, explained he provided automotive repairs, maintenance and sold used vehicles on the site. He wanted to continue this and improve the site to benefit the City. He received a grant and resurfaced the parking, but was unaware that an Inland Wetland permit was required. Then he was contacted. He wanted to resolve the concerns with his professionals. He received approvals from the ZBA, Planning Commission and Zoning Commission. The plan included reconfiguring the parking lot and landscaping. If approved, this would allow him to improve the property.

Attorney Dwight Merriam, 80 Latimer Lane, Simsbury, representing the applicant, explained he discussed the concerns with Ms. Noble. The area had inland wetlands and the business grew with improvements including the paved parking. The concerns were the expansion of the vehicle sales and paving, which required compliance with the Zoning Regulations. The Inland Wetland concerns were removal of the grass, gravel, paving and paving the middle curb. They received Zoning, ZBA and Planning Commission approvals. If approved, a Site Plan approval was still required from the Zoning Commission and the Inland Wetlands Commission may require a review with a boundary change approval. Staff wanted a storm water collection treatment system and a detention system, which they opposed. If they find the paving a significant activity, his view was there was no significant impacts and only a small amount of storm water runoff. If a storm water system is required, he inquired how to do this, because versus the prior conditions there was minimal storm water runoff. There would be no difference of the results. Also, the facility was near a river and there no prior applications had to do this for concerns of flooding.

Michael Klein, CPWS, RSS, Davison Environmental, West Hartford, reviewed his recent and prior inspections. His view was an un-regulated inland wetland, but urban land with no indication of inland wetland previously. Frederick St. was the only regulated Inland Wetland in the area. The site was a vehicle use for a long time and there would be no adverse effects on the area. If storm water quality controls are put on site, there would be no adverse effects, including the existing site work done. He agreed with Attorney Merriam on the detention system

because the water was low for the area. If the storm water system is required, it would improve the storm water quality for the site and the area.

The Commission indicated the boundary change application would require a public hearing and an onsite inspection.

Mr. Klein reiterated he did not find any indications of inland wetlands on the property, but he was limited by the various professional Regulations and standards. There were no inland wetlands on this property. There were borings done on the perimeter of the property.

Ozzie Torres, P.E., Ozzie Engineering, Inc., 63 Reed Dr., Wethersfield, representing the applicant, reviewed the engineering report, storm water management, incremental increase of the paving activity and his view on the detention system. He reviewed the property slopes (drains towards Andrews St. and Frederick St.; the total drainage area 0.38 acres.) Regarding the engineering report, he summarized the existing storm water runoff increase was minimal and the river flow was high in comparison. Therefore, a detention system was not needed because it would be decreased with some pavement removal, storm water quality control system and a catch basin. He reviewed the process and functions of the water quality unit.

Ms. Noble, P.E., indicated the City engineering staff (both the City Engineer and environmental engineer) disagreed with the applicant's plan for storm water discharge. Various regulations mandate the plan provide both water quality and quantity systems. She reviewed that the immediate vicinity has flooding and that taxpayer funds have been used for flood prevention along Frederick Street toward the bridge. The Zoning Regulations required a 20 ft. landscaped buffer, which Staff requested be used to also mitigate / infiltrate the additional pavement runoff. The boundary change application requires a public hearing. The soil scientist has to demonstrate the property is not inland wetland. If approved, the property would remain subject to various Regulations. Staff recommended this as an insignificant activity, with the provision to provide a storm water mitigation system in the 20 ft. buffer area.

The Commission and Attorney Merriam discussed the City had not demonstrated the \$20,000 detention system was beneficial and a mistake to increase the potential area flooding.

The Commission was unable to approve the application as insignificant with the discussions and wanted to review the site conditions. There was discussion about schedule of the public hearing, the applicant addressing Staffs' concerns, inland wetland delineation, storm water improvements, the application schedule, and the voting options. The Commission allowed a recess for Attorney Merriam to speak with the applicant.

Chairman Fisk declared a recess at 8:57 P.M.; the meeting resumed at 8:59 P.M.

Attorney Merriam agreed for the applicant to schedule a public hearing next month. He reiterated the results of their professionals.

MOTION: Move to receive Application # 1969.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Carros

For: Ritchie, Scarritt, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

The application is received.

The application was declared a complete application.

MOTION: Move to declare Application #1969 (boundary change) a significant activity and set a public hearing for the March 2, 2022, regular meeting and schedule an onsite inspection.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Carros.

For: Ritchie, Scarritt, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

The application was declared a significant activity.

MOTION: Move to receive Application #1970.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Carros

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

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

The application is received.

The application was declared a complete application.

MOTION: Move to continue Application #1970 to defer the decision of significance to the March 2, 2022 regular meeting.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Massaro.

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

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

The Application #1970 was continued.

Chairman Fisk noted the on-site inspections be scheduled for Saturday February 19, 2022. If there is inclement weather the on-site inspection be scheduled for Saturday February 26, 2022.

OLD BUSINESS:

7. Chippanee Enforcement Order Update

The Commission acknowledged receipt of the following items in their electronic packets: a memorandum dated January 24, 2022, from Carol Noble, P.E., Environmental Engineer to Chairman Zachary Fisk, Bristol Inland Wetland Commission, regarding Chippanee Enforcement Order status; three photographs, undated; an Enforcement Order letter dated September 21, 2021, from the Inland Wetlands Commission, regarding Enforcement Order, 09-15-2021 Special Inland Wetlands Commission meeting, Chippanee Golf Course, 6 Marsh Rd.; a memorandum dated September 15, 2021, from Raymond Rogozinski, P.E., to Zachary Fisk, Chairman Inland Wetlands Commission, regarding Chippanee Golf Course, Inland Wetland/Watercourse runoff; a report entitled "Response to Public Works Order dated September 15, 2021, Chippanee Country Club, Bristol, CT, dated October 26, 2021, prepared by Robert Green Associates, LLC attached Hydrology Studio report; entitled "Chippanee Country Club Marsh Road Bristol, CT, dated October 26, 2021."

Chairman Fisk designated alternate Commissioners Checoves to vote on Chippanee Enforcement Order Update in place of regular Commissioner Reed with his absence this evening. Also, alternate Commissioners Checoves and Ministro would alternate on voting on the remaining items on the agenda this evening.

Ms. Noble explained the original order was from September 2021 and there was some activity on the property. Staff suggested the Commission review the property conditions to determine the status of the order. She reviewed the order components; the first included a plan for a professional design of storm drainage, improvements and submittal of the Inland Wetlands application. No permits were obtained for the design and construction. Staff recommended the applicant provide the documentation for the concerns. The second, included to obtain a professional engineer for a plan to be reviewed by the Department of Public Works, which she described to the Commission.

Attorney James Ziogas, 104 Bellevue Ave., representing the applicant, explained they should schedule the on-site inspection when the weather improved. They were doing items at the suggestions of various City Staff, of

Raymond Rogozinski, P.E., Director of Public Works; Nancy Levesque, P.E., City Engineer; and Carol Noble, P.E., Environmental Engineer. There are Statutes that exempt golf courses that the Corporation Counsel Office may review.

The Commission agreed the on-site should be scheduled in March or April 2022. There was discussion that previously they strongly recommended the golf course file applications because of disagreements.

MOTION Move to schedule a site walk to review the conditions in either March or April 2022.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Carros.

For: Checovetes, Scarritt, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

The application is postponed to be scheduled for an on-site inspection March/April 2022.

STAFF-APPROVED APPLICATIONS/UNPUBLISHED:

8. Administrative Applications Approved

App.# Approved Administrative	Street No.	Address	Purpose of App.
101989	440	Village Street	Propane tanks
101990	601	Camp Road	Fence
101991	22	Payton Terrace	Carport
101992	182	Beths Avenue	Propane tanks
101994	956	Burlington Avenue	Propane tanks

MOTION Move to file the report:

By: Robinson

Seconded: Rooks.

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

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

The action is approved.

STAFF REPORTS:

IWEO Monthly Reports – January 2022

The Commission received the following items in their electronic packets: the Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer's report for January, dated January 24, 2022; two attached letters both dated January 24, 2022, regarding a Notice and a Notice of Violation at 42 Century Dr. (attached photograph) and 470 Terryville Rd.

Jason Gagnon, Environmental Protection Technician

Ms. Noble informed the Commission that Mr. Gagnon had resigned from the City. He has been an asset for the program. Also, Zachary Norton was filling in for the open position until the position has been filled.

MOTION Move to file the report from the Inland Wetlands Zoning Enforcement Officer.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Rooks.

For: Checovetes, Scarritt, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

Mr. Gagnon's report is filed.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS:

9. Save the Date 50th Anniversary Email

The Commission received the following items in their electronic packets: an e-mail dated January 11, 2022, from Commissioner Michael Robinson to Carol Noble, P.E., Environmental Engineer and a page entitled "Save the Date: February 2nd, Noon to 1:00 P.M., World Wetlands Day and Kick Off for the 50th Anniversary of the CT Inland Wetlands and Water Course Act."

MOTION Move to file the report.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Rooks.

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

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

The report is filed.

10. Commissioner Training – UCONN Clear

The Commission received the following items in their electronic packets: an e-mail dated January 12, 2022, from Darcy Winther of the CT DEEP, to Carol Noble, P.E., Environmental Engineer, regarding the DEEP's Municipal Inland Wetlands Agency Comprehensive Training Program.

Chairman Fisk explained this would be an opportunity for the new and existing Commissioners, which he requested the Commissioners to review.

MOTION Move to file the report.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Rooks.

For: Checovetes, Scarritt, Robinson, Carros, Massaro, Rooks and Fisk.

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

The report is filed.

11. Letter – CT Urban Forest Council's Urban Forestry Climate Change Social Equity Grant

The Commission received the following items in their electronic packets: a letter dated January 20, 2022, from Zachary Fisk, Chairman of the Inland Wetlands Commission to Sarah Larson, CPRP, Deputy Superintendent, Department of Parks, Recreation, Youth and Community Services, regarding the request.

Ms. Noble explained the Bristol Parks, Recreation, Youth & Community Services Department proposed the tennis court near Memorial Blvd. School would be demolished, landscaped and trees planted, if the grant is approved. The Chairman Fisk wrote a letter of support for the request.

The following item was added to the agenda as an administrative comment:

12. Conservation Commission - Mary Rydingsward, President of Pequabuck River Watershed Association

Chairman Fisk explained the item under "Public Participation (Non-Pending Applications)" was on going and submitted to the City Ordinance Committee. The Commission had different views for the committee and they should schedule a workshop to discuss this item. They should put items on the agenda to discuss.

Mr. Noble, P.E., thought Ms. Rydingsward had some good points, but the Commission could make some adjustments in the existing format to respond to these concerns.

13. Wildlife Pamphlet

The Commission received the following item in their electronic packets: a copy of the Wildlife Pamphlet, dated November/December 2021.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Move to adjourn at 9:29 P.M.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Rooks.

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

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

This meeting was taped.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy King

Zachary Fisk, Chairman
Inland Wetlands Commission

David Rooks, Secretary