

**BRISTOL INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF WEDNESDAY MARCH 4, 2020**

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	
	Sebastian Panioto (Secretary)	X	
	Michael Robinson	X	
	James Carros		X
	David Rooks	X	
	Tammy Kelly	X	
ALTERNATE MEMBERS	David Scarritt	X	
	Carolyn Checovetes	X	
	Daniel Massaro, Jr		X
STAFF	Carol Noble, P.E., Environmental Engineer	X	

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

INTRODUCTIONS AND SEATING OF ALTERNATES

Alternates will be Checovetes and Scarritt Alternating starting at Application #1895. Checovetes will vote on Applications Prior to Application # 1895

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (NON-PENDING APPLICATIONS)

There was no public participation.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Approval of Minutes –February 5, 2020 Inland Wetland Commission regular meeting.

MOTION: Move to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2020 regular meeting, as written.

By: Panioto

Seconded: Robinson

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Reed, Checovetes, Rooks and Fisk.

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

2. Acceptance of Onsite Minutes – February 22, 2020

Ms. Noble, City Environmental Engineer read into record the Onsite Minutes from February 22, 2020.

MOTION: Move to approve the minutes of the Onsite Minutes – February 22, 2020, as written.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Panioto

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Reed, Checovetes, Rooks and Fisk.

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Application #1892 – Wetlands Boundary Change Application to have appropriate boundary designation in development of site plan; 112 Century Drive and 150 Century Drive; Assessor’s Map 4, Lots 6 and 7; Bristol Hotel 2, LLC, applicant.

The Commission acknowledged receipt of the following items in their electronic packets: the application; Assessor’s Map with Inland Wetlands Watercourse Layers; a report entitled, "*Wetlands/Watercourses and Soil Report*" from Soil Science and Environmental Services, Inc.; five photographs entitled "*Photo 1: Stream at Century Drive (looking southwest), dated January 28, 2020; Photo 2: Stream at Century Drive (looking northeast), dated January 28, 2020; Photo 3: Floodplain area adjacent to stream, looking north, dated January 28, 2020; Exploratory Photo 4: Geotech investigation area, looking west, dated January 28, 2020 and Photo 5: Property photo looking east, dated January 28, 2020*"; Excavation Plans (2 Pages); and two photographs of the public hearing signs.

Bristol Hotel 2, LLC
 8840 Russell Road, Suite 200
 Las Vegas, NV 89148

Kevin Hixon
 BL Companies
 355 Research Parkway
 Meriden, CT 06450

William Mascetti
 ACG North America
 120 Halcyon Drive
 Bristol, CT 06010

Attorney Timothy Furey
 Furey, Donovan, Tracy and Daly, P.C.
 43 Bellevue Avenue
 Bristol, CT 06010

Scott Stevens
 95 Silo Drive #1917
 Rocky Hill, CT 06067

MOTION: Move to open the public hearing for Application #1892.

By: Robinson Seconded: Panioto

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Reed, Checovetes, Rooks and Fisk.
 Against: None.
 Abstained: None.

The Public Hearing is opened.

Attorney Timothy Furey, 43 Bellevue Avenue, representing the applicant addressed the Commission regarding the request to change the Wetlands Boundary at 112 and 150 Century Drive.

Scott Stevens, Soil Scientist, Soil Science and Environmental Services, 95 Silo Dr, Rocky Hill; addressed the Commission regarding the two previous soil inspections performed in February 11, 2019 and January 17, 2020. The soil was delineated in February 11, 2019 and re inspected the soil in January 2020, to verify nothing had changed. There is a perennial watercourse within the wetlands.

MOTION: Move to close the public hearing for Application #1892.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Panioto

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Reed, Checovetes, Rooks and Fisk.

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

The hearing is closed.

No one else spoke in favor of the application.

No one spoke against the application.

MOTION: Move to approve Application #1892 – Wetlands Boundary Change Application to have appropriate boundary designation in development of site plan; 112 Century Drive and 150 Century Drive; Assessor’s Map 4, Lots 6 and 7; Bristol Hotel 2, LLC, applicant., in accordance with the plot plan and information submitted with standard stipulations.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Panioto

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Reed, Checovetes, Rooks and Fisk.

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

The application is approved.

Pending Applications

1. Application #1893 – Wetlands Application to construct parking area and related drainage structures adjacent to expansion of hotel and conference center; 42, 90, 112 and 150 Century Drive; Assessor’s Map 4, Lots 1, 5, 6 and 7; Bristol Hotel, LLC and Bristol Hotel 2, LLC applicants.

The Commission acknowledged receipt of the following items in their electronic packets: the application; Assessor’s Map with Inland Wetlands Watercourse Layers; a report entitled, *Storm water Management Report, For the: Proposed Hotel and Conference Center, Located at: 42 Century Drive City of Bristol, Connecticut, Prepared for Submission to: City of Bristol, Connecticut, January 27th, 2020, Prepared for: Bristol Home 2, LLC 42 Century Drive Bristol, CT 06010, Prepared by B.L. Companies (556 Pages)*; Construction Plans (35 Pages); Excavation Plans (2 Pages); five photographs entitled "*Photo 1: Stream at Century Drive (looking southwest), dated January 28, 2020; Photo 2: Stream at Century Drive (looking northeast), dated January 28, 2020; Photo 3: Floodplain area adjacent to stream, looking north, dated January 28, 2020; Exploratory Photo 4: Geotech investigation area, looking west, dated January 28, 2020 and Photo 5: Property photo looking east, dated January 28, 2020*" and two photographs of the public hearing signs.

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43 Bellevue Avenue

Bristol, CT 06010 **MOTION:** Move to open Application #1893

By: Robinson Seconded: Panioto

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Reed, Checoves, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

The application is opened.

Attorney Timothy Furey, 43 Bellevue Avenue, representing the applicant addressed the Commission regarding constructing a parking area and related drainage structures adjacent to expansion of hotel and conference center. Has been working with Ms. Noble on enhancements to the property.

Kevin Hixon, BL Companies, 355 Research Parkway, Meriden, CT; addressed the Commission regarding installing rain gardens within the Parking area, removing invasive species plants near the wetlands area & supplementing with upland/wetland plantings. The proposed plan includes the rerouting of existing Double Tree drainage (untreated) along with the new buildings to underground detention basins, storm water treatment and release to City of Bristol storm drainage system. Porous pavers on southwest corner of event facility are proposed to allow for infiltration. They have worked with the biologist to create a Wetlands Enhancement buffer area. Floodplain Zone A are mapped on the property, but the development will not affect the floodplain. Parking depths have been reduced adjacent to parking lot green areas and a parking garage is provided, which helps to minimize impervious area pavement. Parking spaces closest to wetland are required to meet the zoning code. The new stormwater management system is designed for the first flush water quality volume and the 100 year storm peak flow rate attenuation, and simulates existing flow rate discharge to the watercourse.

MOTION: Move to declare Application #1893 a non-significant activity.

By: Robinson Seconded: Panioto

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Checoves, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: Reed.
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 #1893 – Wetlands Application to construct parking area and related drainage structures adjacent to expansion of hotel and conference center; 42, 90, 112 and 150 Century Drive; Assessor’s Map 4, Lots 1, 5, 6 and 7; Bristol Hotel, LLC and Bristol Hotel 2, LLC applicants, in accordance with the plot plan and information submitted with standard stipulations & additional stipulations for enhancements that have been brought forth, with staff review.

By: Robinson Seconded: Checoves

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Checoves, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: Reed.

The application is approved.

NEW APPLICATIONS

- 5. Application #1894 – Wetlands Application to complete maintenance to an existing gravel/bituminous haul road that has not been used for ten years. Continue maintenance throughout earth removal process; 315 Shrub Road; Assessor’s Map 57; Lots 6; 6-2-6-3; NTH, LLC, applicant.

The Commission acknowledged receipt of the following items in their electronic packets: the application; Location Map with Inland Wetlands Watercourse Layers; Plans (5 Pages) and photographs of the site (2 Pages.)

Harry Cleveland
 NTH, LLC
 1260 Burlington Avenue
 Bristol, CT 06010

Robert Hiltbrand, P.E,
 R.R. Hiltbrand Engineers and Surveyors, LLC
 575 North Main Street
 Bristol, CT 06010

MOTION: Move to receive Application #1894

By: Robinson Seconded: Checovetes

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Checovetes, Rooks and Fisk.
 Against: None.
 Abstained: None.

The application is received.

Harry Cleveland, NTH, LLC; 1260 Burlington Avenue, Bristol, CT; representing the applicant, addressed the Commission regarding the removal of stockpiles of dirt/gravel on the adjacent property in Burlington. For that work, trucks will be driving on the existing access road of their Bristol property that has not been used for ten years or so. Soft areas of the existing access road will need gravel maintenance, up to the estimated amount shown on the plan. Silt fence will be provided to protect the adjacent wetland areas. No earthwork is proposed on the Bristol parcels. The Commission reviewed the site conditions on February 22.

MOTION: Move to declare Application #1894 a non-significant activity.

By: Robinson Seconded: Panioto

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Checovetes, 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 #1894 – Wetlands Application to complete maintenance to an existing gravel/bituminous haul road and continue maintenance throughout earth removal process; 315

Shrub Road; Assessor’s Map 57; Lots 6; 6-2-6-3; NTH, LLC, applicant, in accordance with the plot plan and information submitted, with standard stipulations.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Checovetes

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Reed, Checovetes, Rooks and Fisk.

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

The application is approved.

- 6. Application #1895 – Wetlands Application to construct freeform in-ground pool 20 ft. by 38 ft.; 16 Great Pyrenees Way; Assessor’s Map 58, Lot 26; Shurshot Gunite Pools, Inc.!, Joseph Murphy, applicant.

The Commission acknowledged receipt of the following items in their electronic packets: the application; Location Map with Inland Wetlands Watercourse Layers; Authorization Form, dated February 20, 2020, from Shurshot Gunite Pools, Inc.!.; a Wetland Delineation Report, from Soil Resource Consultants, regarding Lot 26, Great Pyrenees Way and Dorset Horn Lane, Bristol, CT (3 Pages); Site Plane (1 Page); Landscape Plan (1 Page) and photographs of the site (3 Pages.)

Joseph Murphy
Shurshot Gunite Pools, Inc
61 Vale Road
Brookfield, CT 06804

Phil and Roxanne Cracco
16 Great Pyrenees Way
Bristol, CT 06010

MOTION: Move to receive Application #1895

By: Robinson

Seconded: Panioto

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Reed, Scarritt, Rooks and Fisk.

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

The application is received.

Joseph Murphy, Shurshot Gunite Pools, Inc; 61 Vale Road; representing the applicant addressed the Commission regarding the installation of a freeform in-ground pool along with a patio at 16 Great Pyrenees Way. Staying with current grade of the property all fill will be removed, no fill will be brought in.

Ms. Noble addressed the commission regarding previous approvals the property had received. Also discussed a drainage pipe the City installed. The proposed pool has been moved from the original application closer to the piped easement area.

Joseph Murphy, Shurshot Gunite Pools, Inc; 61 Vale Road; stated that all activity will occur within the grassy area. There will be silt fence along the grass and wetland edge line.

The Commission posed questions about the location of the existing wetland boundary and the grading plan for the patio. The wetland flags on the current plan were from 1997. More clarification to flag the wetlands and designate the proposed work extents was requested.

MOTION: Move to continue Application #1895.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Reed

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Reed, Scarritt, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

The application is continued.

- 7. Application #1896 – Wetlands Application to construct a commercial building of 2,088 sq. ft. with gasoline pumps; 50 Terryville Avenue; Assessor’s Map 22, Lot 10; ANZ Petroleum, Inc., applicant.

The Commission acknowledged receipt of the following items in their electronic packets: the application; Location Map with Inland Wetlands Watercourse Layers; a Storm Water Management Report, from David Hughes, P.E. and Land Surveyor, regarding the property (111 Pages); Site Plan (12 Pages); and four photographs of the site, entitled "*Photo 1 looking north at site; Photo 2 looking east from northwest corner of site; Photo 3 looking southeast from northwest corner of site; Photo 4 looking west from northeast corner of site (2 Pages.)*"

ANZ Petroleum, Inc.
50 Terryville Avenue
Bristol, CT 06010

ZMA Real Estate, LLC
8 Burnham Street, Suite 1B
Terryville, CT 06786

Attorney James Ziogas
104 Bellevue Avenue
Bristol, CT 06010

Ms. Noble, City Environmental Engineer stated that Attorney Ziogas requested the application be scheduled for a Public Hearing at the next meeting with an onsite walk prior to the Commission meeting.

MOTION: Move to receive Application # 1896

By: Robinson

Seconded: Panioto

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Reed, Checoves, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

The application is received.

MOTION: Move to declare Application # 1896 a significant activity and set a public hearing for the April 1 meeting and schedule an onsite inspection for March 24 6:00 pm with rain date March 26 6:00p.m.

By: Panioto

Seconded: Robinson

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Reed, Checoves, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

The application was declared a significant activity.

- 8. Application #20-462F-248 - Floodplain Application to pave existing broken bituminous driveway for the lot; 137 School Street; Assessor’s Map 29, Lot 76; Adam Sebastian, applicant.

The Commission acknowledged receipt of the following items in their electronic packets: the application; Location Map with Inland Wetlands Watercourse Layers; a National Flood Hazard Layer FIRMette FEMA Map; Site Plan (1 Page); and five photographs of the site, entitled "*Photo 1 looking north from southwest corner, dated 02-25-20; Photo 2 looking west at garage roof leader, dated 02-25-20; Photo 3 looking east from southwest corner of site, dated 02-25-20; Photo 4 looking south from street, dated 02-25-20 and a photo entitled Pequabuck River culvert, dated 02-25-20 (3 Pages.)*"

Adam Sebastian
180 Alder Street
Waterbury, CT 06708

MOTION: Move to receive Application #20-462F-248

By: Robinson

Seconded: Panioto

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Reed, Scarritt, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

The application is received.

Adam Sebastian, 180 Alder Street, Waterbury, CT; representing the applicant addressed the Commission regarding paving the bituminous driveway at 137 School Street. All Zoning and City variances have been approved. Enhancing and improving quality of the lot, with a dry well system as there is no working drainage systems in place. The rear garage will be a repair shop with used car sales of no more than 3 vehicles at a time. Vehicles will be stored in the garage. Parking is shown where the 3 parking spaces will be; the other parking supports the 2-family house in the front. The site is located in the mapped floodway. The building improvements do not meet the definition of substantial improvement or damage, per the applicants' evaluation submittal, but they are taking precautions and are aware of the floodplain regulation requirements. All gas and electrical service are coming down from the ceiling, nothing will be on the ground. The application is just for the pavement replacement and the associated drainage improvement.

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

MOTION: Move to approve Application #20-462F-248 – Application #20-462F-248 - Floodplain Application to pave existing broken bituminous driveway for the lot; 137 School Street; Assessor's Map 29, Lot 76; Adam Sebastian, applicant, in accordance with the plot plan and information submitted with standard stipulations.

By: Robinson

Seconded: Scarritt

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Reed, Scarritt, Rooks and Fisk.
Against: None.
Abstained: None.

The application is approved.

Staff-Approved Applications/Unpublished

- 1. Administrative Applications Approved

APP# Approved Administrative	Street No.	Address	Purpose of App.
101783	282	Candlewood Dr.	driveway expansion (towards grass area)
101784	465-467	Emmett St.	install approx. 200 linear ft. stockade fence along rear property line
Floodplain (Approved)	Street No.	Address	Purpose of App.
None			

MOTION: Move to place on file.
 By: Reed Seconded: Robinson

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Reed, Checovetes, Rooks and Fisk.
 Against: None.
 Abstained: None.

The applications are filed.

Conservation Commission

- 10. Finance Committee Report - Discussion for the request to the BOF to set aside enforcement funds for regulated area betterment and conservation purposes (continued from February 4, 2020 meeting.)

The Commission acknowledged receipt of the following item in their electronic packets: Memorandum Request for set-aside of enforcement fines for conservation purposes, dated March 3, 2020, to John Smith, Chairperson, City of Bristol, Board of Finance, from Wetlands Chairman Zach Fisk regarding the item.

MOTION: Move to approve the memo and request of appropriation to BOF.
 By: Robinson Seconded: Reed

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Reed, Scarritt, Rooks and Fisk.
 Against: None.
 Abstained: None.

Conservation Commission Meeting was scheduled for Thursday March 19, 6:00 p.m. regarding Open Space.

Staff Reports

- 11. IWEO Monthly Reports – February 2020

The Commission acknowledged receipt of the following item in their electronic packets: the February Zoning Enforcement Officers Report, dated February 25, 2020 with the following attached letters dated February 3, 2020, from Jason Gagnon to TJR Realty, LLC, regarding 28 Judd Street, regarding response to drainage concerns; a letter dated February 21, 2020, from Jason Gagnon to TJR Realty, LLC, regarding 28 Judd Street, response to drainage concerns; a letter dated February 20, 2020, from Jason Gagnon to Robert Vieira, regarding 145 Brewster Road, response to drainage concerns; a letter dated February 12, 2020, from Jason Gagnon to Cassidy Holdings, LLC, regarding 165 Terryville Road, tree debris in Pequabuck River (attached map) and a letter dated January 29, 2020, from Jason Gagnon to Steven Dalessio and Jeisson Pozo, regarding 220 Fern Hill Road, dumping yard debris within City right of way.

MOTION: Move to place on file.

By: Panioto

Seconded: Robinson

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Reed, Checovetes, Rooks and Fisk.

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

Report is placed on file.

Communications

12. Pamphlet, Superior Electric Holding Group, LLC, Bristol Restoration Project Construction Open House, Thursday, 27 February 2020

The Commission acknowledged receipt of the following item in their electronic packets: an invitation for open house from Environmental Resources Management, entitled "*Environmental Resources Management, 95 Glastonbury Boulevard, Suite 101, Glastonbury, CT 06033, Bristol, Connecticut Restoration Project: Open House, Superior Electric Holding Group, LLC, Bristol, Connecticut Restoration Project: Open House.*"

13. Application #1593 – Cedar Hill Subdivision– Monthly Reports

The Commission acknowledged receipt of the following item in their electronic packets: a report entitled "*J. Edwards & Associates, LLC, Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan, Inspection and Maintenance Report, Cedar Hill Subdivision, dated February 25, 2020.*"

14. Chippannee Golf Course – Update

15. Fly-Fishing Clinic for Women, June 13, 2020

The Commission acknowledged receipt of the following item in their electronic packets: A notice for a clinic entitled "*Women on the Water, A Fly Fishing Clinic, June 13, 2020.*"

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Move to adjourn at 9:19 P.M.

By: Reed

Seconded: Rooks

For: Panioto, Robinson, Kelly, Reed, Scarritt, Rooks and Fisk.

Against: None.

Abstained: None.

This meeting was taped.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Letourneau

Zachary Fisk, Chairman
Inland Wetlands Commission

Sebastian Panioto, Secretary

