

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
WINDSOR INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
TUESDAY AUGUST 8TH, 2023 7:00PM
Online webinar: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85435818689>

Chairman Morando called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

Chairman Morando, Secretary Towers, and Commissioners D. DeCarlo, S. Fraysier K. Elder, C. Elkins and Alternate Commissioner J. Adamson.

Also present was Planning Department's Office Administrator, Andrea D. Marcavitch

2. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS (3-minute limit on items other than Public Hearings) – None

3. BUSINESS MEETING

• **OLD BUSINESS**

- Application 23-166: 137 Matianuck Ave., City of Hartford Department of Public Works – Keney Park Golf Course Drainage and Golf Cart Path Improvements

Chairman Morando asked A. Marcavitch if there were any updates from the Engineering Dept. in response to their comments submitted in review of the initial application submission. A. Marcavitch stated that the Town Engineer said all comments pertaining to wetlands were adequately addressed in the August 2nd submission.

Jason Ouimet, Project Manager and Laura Krause, Environmental Scientist from Beta introduced himself to the Commission as the representative for the application. J. Ouimet noted that within the materials re-submitted to the Commission there is a memo stating all comments from the previous meeting were summarized and replied to in addition to a response to the Engineering Dept. comments.

Commissioner Elder stated he believes all of his comments have been addressed, but because the draft minutes from the previous meeting were not included in the packet he would recommend that an approval have a condition for all comments from the IWWC be adequately addressed.

Commissioner Fraysier asked if there were any additional assessments in the field regarding soil type and wetland characteristics to confirm that the 2014 report and delineations reflected the existing conditions. J. Ouimet stated that they've added additional references on INDEX-01 to this report. J. Ouimet added that multiple site visits have been conducted and that this previously submitted report is less than 10 years old. L. Krause stated that the re-submitted plans were adjusted to clearly show both the federally defined vegetated wetlands, as well as Connecticut soil defined delineation.

Commissioner Towers stated that there should be double E&S controls in addition to hay bales in areas adjacent to vernal pools, especially near construction area #6. J. Ouimet said this will be

implemented. Commissioner Fraysier agreed with Commissioner Towers later in the meeting, acknowledging that activity is to occur outside of the 150 foot upland review area, but is still within what is considered a sensitive zone of 750 feet from the vernal pool.

Commissioner Fraysier asked if there was any consideration of path side swales where there are cut-slopes to allow for water to sheet flow over the paths. J. Ouimet stated that this would create issues with pooling if there is no ability for an outlet of a swale which might collect and hold additional water. J. Ouimet stated that area drains and under drains were added as part of the golf cart path improvements to help mitigate these issues.

Commissioner Fraysier noted an 80 foot long pipe installed opposite of a brook on CON-2, and asked how this will be accessed during construction. J. Ouimet stated that there is a crossing at this location for maintenance access.

Commissioner Fraysier asked if there were any outfalls within the regulated areas. J. Ouimet stated that impacts were avoided in federally regulated areas, with all of the activity occurring upstream of the floodway.

Commissioner Fraysier noted a proposed drainage pipe on CON-09 which discharges into wetlands. J. Ouimet stated that this is near hole #12, and due to the soil conditions of golf courses in general, it is classified as a wetland and this hole experiences a lot of water and this pipe will drain this area of standing water.

Commissioner Fraysier asked if there was an existing drain or if a new one is to be installed on hole #14 on CON-10 where there is proposed work within wetlands and the floodplain. J. Ouimet stated that this existing pipe will be connected to a new proposed pipe, reconstructing the path in this area and replacing a portion of the pipe, with minor changes in the stormwater calculations.

Commissioner Elder made a **motion to approve the application with the special condition to protect the vernal pool shown in the construction six area with double silt fencing and hay bales and to address all comments from the July 13th IWWC meeting, if they have not already been addressed in the most recent submittal.** Commissioner Fraysier seconded the motion.
Vote 7-0-0

4. AGENT ACTION – NONE

5. AGENT REPORTS –NONE

6. PETITIONS FROM COMMISSIONERS

7. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Elkins made a motion to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. Vote 7-0-0

I certify that these minutes were approved on

Marlene Towers, Secretary
Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission