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TOWN OF KENT INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION

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Kent, CT 06757
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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The Kent Inland Wetlands Commission held a regular meeting on May 18, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Werner called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m. via Zoom.

2. ROLL CALL AND APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES, IF REQUIRED

Commissioners Present: Lynn Werner, Chairman; Marge Smith, Paul Yagid, Jon Younger

Staff Present: Donna Hayes, Land Use Administrator and Tai Kern, Land Use Clerk

Ms. Smith motioned to elevate Jon Younger to a voting member. Mr. Yagid seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

3. READING OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

3.A. Regular Meeting Minutes, February 24, 2020.

Ms. Smith moved to ratify the approval of the Regular Minutes of the February 24, 2020 as corrected. Mr. Yagid seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

3.B. Regular Minutes, April 27, 2020.

Ms. Smith moved to approve the Regular Minutes of the April 27, 2020. Mr. Yagid seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.A. Discussion with Brian Wood, Land Management Administrator, First Light Power Resources, regarding the draw-down of Housatonic River to replace flash boards at Bulls Bridge, July, 2020.

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Donna Hayes reported that Brian Wood was unable to attend this evening's meeting. She read a note from him and agreed that if the members become aware of any illegal activity they will report it to First Light. Mrs. Hayes agreed to verify the area this encompasses.

- 4.B. Application #1218-20, Alecia Evans, 392 Kent Hollow Road, Map 17 Block 32 Lot 30, construction of new single-family dwelling, driveway and utilities within the regulated area.**

Dennis McMorrow of Berkshire Engineering provided an overview of the project. The property is 1.4 acres. He noted the originally approved house location at 35 feet from the wetlands vs. the proposed house, which is 45.9 feet from the wetlands. The well and septic were installed as part of the original plan and are noted on the site plan.

Ms. Werner questioned what is and will be between the house and the pond. Currently there are grasses in that area. Ms. Evans agreed to consider native plantings and discussed some plantings that would work in that area. The application would be amended to include buffer planting around the pond.

Mr. Yagid questioned whether the disturbance would be beyond the silt fence. Mr. McMorrow confirmed that activity would remain on the north side of the silt fence.

Mr. Yagid moved to table application #1218-20, Alecia Evans, 392 Kent Hollow Road, Map 17 Block 32 Lot 30, construction of new single-family dwelling, driveway, utilities and buffer planting around the pond within the regulated area. Mr. Younger seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

- 4.C. Modification to Application #1168-18, High Watch Recovery Center, Inc., 54 & 62 Carter Road, addition to existing administration building, parking area, drainage basin and associated grading, Map 14 Block 22 Lots 6 & 7; **modification to include the elimination of second upper wall on the west facing slope above the new detox and pharmacy buildings; construction of elevated walkway exiting the second floor of the detox building.****

Mike Doherty of Milone & McBroom was present to represent High Watch. He reviewed the proposal to remove the second tiered wall at the top of the slope. They found they can grade the area so the second tier is not needed, which will reduce the hardscape and allow for the modification for egress; a second floor bridge. The overall disturbance does not change from the previously approved plan. He explained that some plantings have been shifted and a seed mix was added.

The members agreed that it seems to be an improvement with the reduced hardscape and increased plantings. Donna Hayes questioned the details regarding the elevated walkway. Mr. Doherty explained that the building itself will act as an anchoring with two footings on the other side. The total span is 15 feet. The entire area is currently excavated.

*Ms. Smith moved to accept the modification to Application #1168-18, High Watch Recovery Center, Inc., 54 & 62 Carter Road, addition to existing administration building, parking area, drainage basin and associated grading, Map 14 Block 22 Lots 6 & 7; **modification to include the elimination of second upper wall on the west facing slope above the new detox and pharmacy buildings; construction of elevated***

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walkway exiting the second floor of the detox building. Mr. Younger seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

5. OLD BUSINESS

- 5.A.** Notice of Violation 01-20, Lynn Novick and Dorothy Novick, 355 Skiff Mountain Road, Map 8 Block 8 Lot 7, cutting of approximately 75 – 100 trees in a regulated area without permit.

Donna Hayes recapped the agreement to cut the down tree limbs and trunks so they will lay flat and decompose on the ground. Ms. Smith advised that it is important to leave them on the site as not to move the borer problem. Ms. Hayes reported that the neighbor is no longer willing to be involved in the activity.

The group discussed the best time to perform this activity and determined that for the health of the wetland it should be done during a dryer time of the year; therefore, work should commence early August and be completed by the end of August. It was reiterated that the wood should not be removed.

- 5.B.** Application #1215-20, Suzanne Tanner for Judie Mills, Est., 47 Johnson Road, Map 19 Block 15 Lot 29, construction of exterior decking on south and west sides of existing house.

Suzanne Tanner reported that the northwest corner of the deck is 85 feet to the water, westerly it is 95 feet to the water and on the south side is 125 feet to the water. Donna Hayes asked that the silt fencing be brought around the northwest and southwest corners of the deck construction.

Mr. Younger moved to approve application #1215-20, Suzanne Tanner for Judie Mills, Est., 47 Johnson Road, Map 19 Block 15 Lot 29, construction of exterior decking on south and west sides of existing house. Mr. Yagid seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

- 5.C.** Application #1217-20, Brian Neff for Bradley Bernstein for Kent Hollow Straight, LLC, Map 17 Block 32 Lot 31, construction of: rain garden; new driveway entry gate; new driveway walls and pillars for gate access; approximately 170' of new driveway; and, selective thinning of trees in the regulated area. All work being done in conjunction with construction of a new single-family dwelling and related site work.

It was noted that Mr. Neff still needs to submit revised site plan with the silt fencing as discussed at the last meeting.

Mr. Yagid moved to approve application #1217-20, Brian Neff for Bradley Bernstein for Kent Hollow Straight, LLC, Map 17 Block 32 Lot 31, construction of: rain garden; new driveway entry gate; new driveway walls and pillars for gate access; approximately 170' of new driveway; and, selective thinning of trees in the regulated area. All work being done in conjunction with construction of a new single-family dwelling and related site work with the condition that a revised site plan showing the silt fencing be submitted for the record. Mr. Younger seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

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5.D. Possible wetlands violation, Sam Mazza, 11 Upper Kent Hollow Road, Map 16 Block 26 Lot 1.

Paul Yagid reported on his site walk. He explained that runoff area had been cleaned up with an excavator; however, this is a wetland area and it was done without a permit. The property owner was asked to smooth out and stabilize the area. Donna Hayes explained that this property is about 80 percent wetlands or regulated area. Mr. Mazza is required to submit a permit application stating what he has done.

The group agreed to continue to watch the progress regarding this matter.

6. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE COMMISSION

A. WRITTEN - N/A

B. VERBAL

The group discussed the clearing of land in the regulated area on the Dubray property on Route 341. Donna Hayes agreed to address this violation.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Yagid moved to adjourn at 8:33 p.m. Mr. Younger seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted.

Tai Kern

Tai Kern,
Land Use Clerk

Received by Town Clerk
May 19, 2020 @ 2:40 PM

TOWN OF KENT
Inland Wetlands **Actual vs. Budget**
July 2019 through May 2020

	Jul '19 - May 20	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
132-410 · Commission In/Wet	780.00	800.00	-20.00	97.5%
Total Income	780.00	800.00	-20.00	97.5%
Gross Profit	780.00	800.00	-20.00	97.5%
Expense				
A · General Government				
026-000 · INLAND / WETLANDS				
Compensation				
026-101 · Enforce. Officer	20,353.92	22,050.00	-1,696.08	92.3%
026-102 · IW Clerk	1,718.96	2,177.00	-458.04	79.0%
026-996 · Health	10,242.78	10,249.00	-6.22	99.9%
026-997 · Pension	830.16	1,103.00	-272.84	75.3%
026-998 · Social Security	1,813.22	1,853.00	-239.78	87.1%
Total Compensation	34,759.04	37,432.00	-2,672.96	92.9%
Department Operations				
026-201 · Supplies	519.71	700.00	-180.29	74.2%
026-202 · Postage	199.52	350.00	-150.48	57.0%
026-203 · Notices	431.52	1,000.00	-568.48	43.2%
026-204 · Mileage	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0.0%
026-409 · Printing & Mapping	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
Total Department Operations	1,150.75	2,350.00	-1,199.25	49.0%
Professional Development				
026-451 · Conferences	105.00	150.00	-45.00	70.0%
026-452 · Training	65.00	150.00	-85.00	43.3%
Total Professional Development	170.00	300.00	-130.00	56.7%
Total 026-000 · INLAND / WETLANDS	36,079.79	40,082.00	-4,002.21	90.0%
Total A · General Government	36,079.79	40,082.00	-4,002.21	90.0%
Total Expense	36,079.79	40,082.00	-4,002.21	90.0%
Net Ordinary Income	-35,299.79	-39,282.00	3,982.21	89.9%
Net Income	-35,299.79	-39,282.00	3,982.21	89.9%

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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Application #	1221-20
Filing fee \$	
Date of receipt	6/16/20
Approved	
Denied	

Application for a permit to conduct a regulated activity within the regulated area of an Inland wetland or watercourse in the Town of Kent.

ALL APPLICATIONS REQUIRE THE FOLLOWING (APPLICATIONS NOT INCLUDING ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED):

- A. The original and 8 copies of the completed application form.
- B. If the applicant is not the owner of the property, a letter of consent from the owner authorizing the applicant to act as the owner's agent.
- C. One copy of the completed "Statewide Inland Wetland Activity Reporting Form."
- D. Filing Fee of \$100.00 made out to the Town of Kent.
- E. 8 copies of a site plan and other information noted on the checklist.
- F. List of names and mailing addresses of adjacent land owners.
- G. Field flagging and staking as noted on the checklist.

1. PROPERTY ADDRESS:

11 Upper Kent Hollow Rd.

2. MAP: BLOCK: LOT:

16 26 1

3. APPLICANT'S INFORMATION:

Name Sam Mazza
Mailing Address 11 Upper Kent Hollow Rd
City ST ZIP Code Kent CT
Home Phone 203 494 1849
Work Phone _____
E-Mail Address _____

4. OWNER'S INFORMATION:

Name same
Mailing Address _____
City ST ZIP Code _____
Home Phone _____
Work Phone _____
E-Mail Address _____

5. APPLICANT'S INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Owner
<input type="checkbox"/>	Agent
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please list)

6. PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION: (Please be exact)

TOTAL ACRES OF PROPERTY	7.38
TOTAL ACRES OF WETLANDS AND/OR WATERCOURSES DISTURBED (sq. ft. divided by 43,560)	
TOTAL ACRES OF DISTURBED REGULATED AREA (sq. ft. divided by 43,560)	100 ft

7. PLEASE DESCRIBE, IN DETAIL, THE PROPOSED ACTIVITY:
 (If needed, please attach additional pages.)
 A trench from the pipe next to the neighbors property along parallel to the property line 100 FT long. Also installing a HOV Driveway Ramp Pen

8. PLEASE DESCRIBE ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED AND STATE WHY THIS PROPOSAL WAS CHOSEN:

9. ARE THERE ANY EASEMENTS OR OTHER ENCUMBRANCES NOTED ON THE PROPERTY DEED FILED AT THE TOWN HALL? IF SO, PLEASE DESCRIBE OR ATTACH

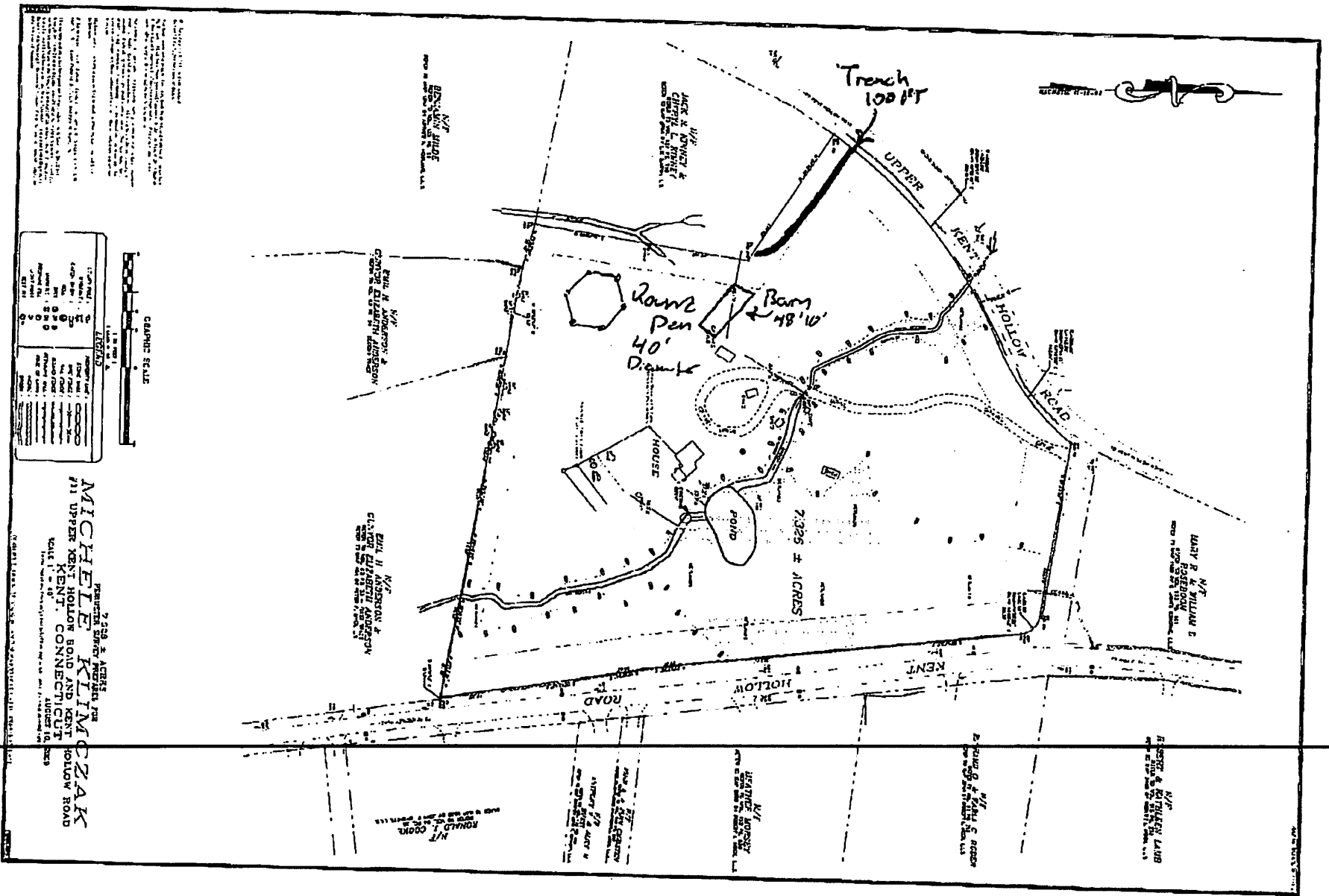
10. PLEASE CERTIFY WHETHER:
- A. Any portion of the property on which the regulated activity is proposed is located within five hundred (500) feet of the boundary of an adjoining municipality. Yes No (If yes, the applicant shall give written notice of the application by certified mail, return receipt requested, on the same day to the inland wetlands agency of such other municipality.)
 - B. Traffic attributable to the completed project on the site will use streets within the adjoining municipality to enter or exit the site. Yes No
 - C. Sewer or water drainage from the project site will flow through and impact the sewage or drainage system within the adjoining municipality. Yes No
 - D. Water run-off from the improved site will impact streets or other municipal or private property within the adjoining municipality. Yes No

11. AGREEMENT AND SIGNATURE

The undersigned applicant hereby swears that the information supplied in the completed application is accurate, to the best of his/her knowledge and belief and is aware of the penalties for obtaining a permit through deception or through inaccurate or misleading information.

Name (printed) Sam Mertz
 Signature [Signature]
 Date 6/15/20

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Virginia Bush Suttman, 8A Bluff Road, Kent, CT 06757
860-927-3684, email: vbushsuttman@aol.com



ORIGINAL

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RECEIVED
6/4/2020
JMH

June 3, 2020

Kent Inlands Wetlands Commission
41 Kent Green Boulevard
PO Box 678
Kent, CT 06757

I am sending an application to the Commission for permission to cut down three trees near the river on my property. Their position is shown on the enclosed plan. As seen in the attached photographs they appear to be dying, and the cause appears to be ash borers, which have denuded their bark substantially and have hardly leafed out.

They will eventually die, and present a danger, but it seems wise to cut them down now to discourage the borers. I will consult with the Kent Tree Warden and arborists about the proper way to dispose of the wood, so as not to spread the infestation further.

If you have questions, please email me. You are welcome to visit my property to observe the issue.

Sincerely, Virginia Bush Suttman



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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Application #	1220-20
Filing fee \$	100
Date of receipt	6/4/20
Approved	
Denied	

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1. PROPERTY ADDRESS:

2. MAP: 19 BLOCK: 15 LOT: 38

3. APPLICANT'S INFORMATION:

Name	
Mailing Address	
City ST ZIP Code	Virginia Bush Suttman
Home Phone	8A Bluff Road, Kent, CT 06756-1312
Work Phone	860-927-3684, vbushsuttman@aol.com
E-Mail Address	

4. OWNER'S INFORMATION:

Name	
Mailing Address	
City ST ZIP Code	Same
Home Phone	
Work Phone	
E-Mail Address	

5. APPLICANT'S INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Owner
<input type="checkbox"/>	Agent
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please list)

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6. PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION: (Please be exact)

0.58	TOTAL ACREAGE OF PROPERTY
2	TOTAL ACREAGE OF WETLANDS AND/OR WATERCOURSES DISTURBED (sq. ft. divided by 43,560)
1013	TOTAL ACREAGE OF DISTURBED REGULATED AREA (sq. ft. divided by 43,560)

7. PLEASE DESCRIBE, IN DETAIL, THE PROPOSED ACTIVITY:

(If needed, please attach additional pages.)

Taking down and disposing of three trees infested with ash borers.

8. PLEASE DESCRIBE ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED AND STATE WHY THIS PROPOSAL WAS CHOSEN:

It seems wise to remove these and the insect infestation.

9. ARE THERE ANY EASEMENTS OR OTHER ENCUMBRANCES NOTED ON THE PROPERTY DEED FILED AT THE TOWN HALL? IF SO, PLEASE DESCRIBE OR ATTACH.

No

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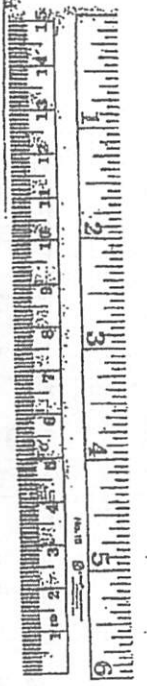
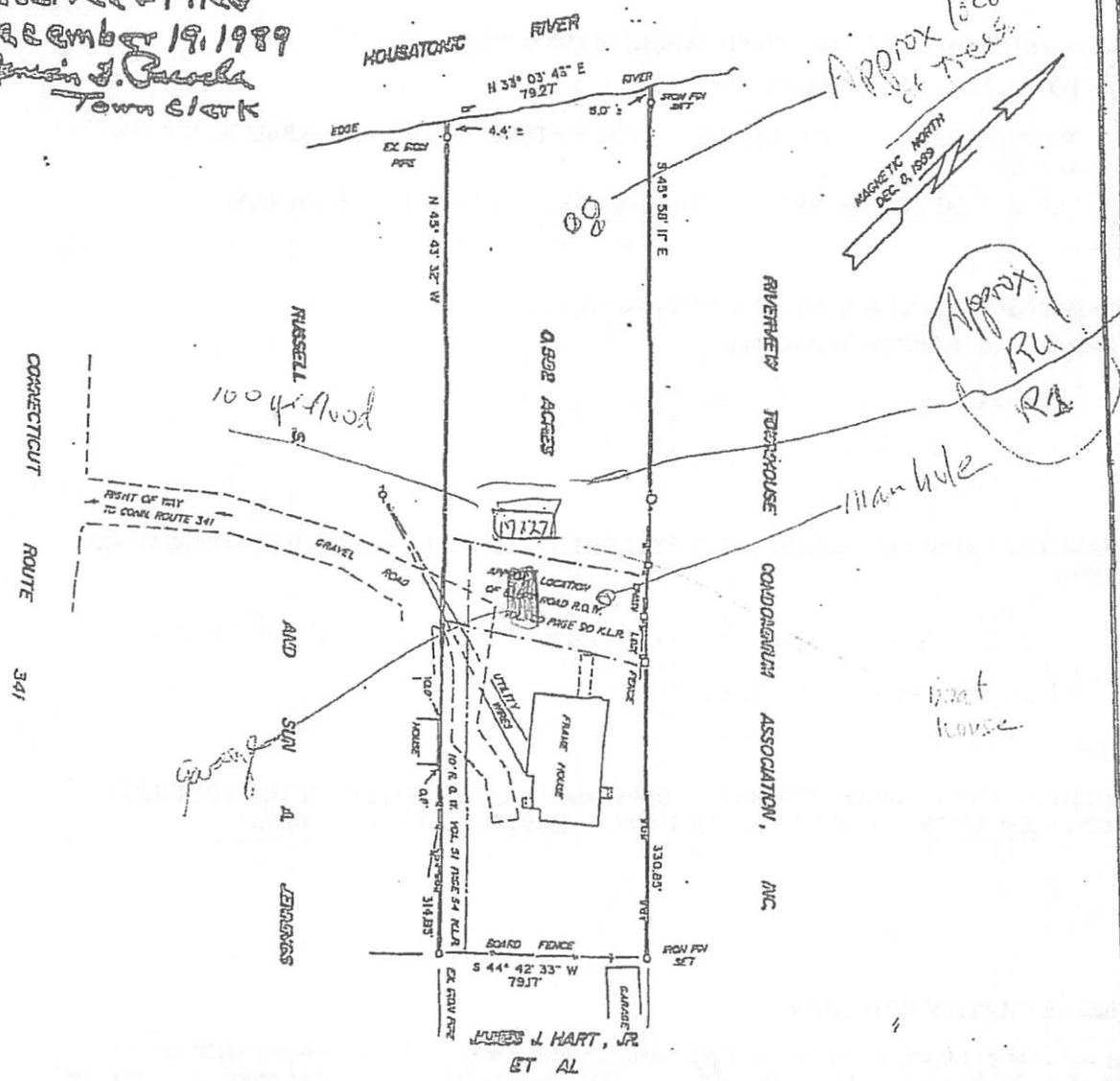
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Name (printed) Virginia Bush Suttman

Signature Virginia Bush Suttman

Date 6/3/20

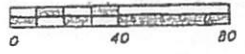
Map No. 762A
 Received & Filed
 December 19, 1989
 Merlin J. Casella
 Town Clerk



PROPERTY TO BE ACQUIRED BY
WILLIAM E. BRADEN

LEGEND
 WIRE FENCE $\text{---} \times \text{---} \times \text{---}$
 STONE PILLARS \square
 NO PHYSICAL BOUNDARY ---

SCALE 1" = 40' DECEMBER, 1989



NOTES
 REFER TO SEWER EASEMENTS RUNNING THROUGH PROPERTY
 (LOCATION OF SEWER EASEMENT NOT APPARENT ON THE GROUND)
 VOLUME 57 PAGE 105 AND VOLUME 59 PAGE 440 K.L.R.
 REFER TO MAPS PREPARED BY: ROBERT HOCK P.L.S.
 PETER MYER P.L.S.
 C. JAMES OSBORNE, JR. P.L.S.
 KILLARD L. SOULE, JR. P.L.S.

Class A2 survey certified substantially correct and in accordance with the code of recommended practice for standards of accuracy of surveys and maps approved by the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors.

Richard J. Adams
 Richard J. Adams R.L.S. 9874
 Kent, Connecticut

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Inland Wetlands application from Virginia Bush Suttman
8 Bluff Road, Kent CT Map 19-15-38

Neighboring properties:

North:

Riverview Commons Assoc., Inc. 19-15-34
Tony and Dawn Poallo, Presiding Officer and Treasurer, 66 Ernhofer Drive, Carmel, NY 10512
CM Property Management, PO Box 690, Southbury, NY 06488, 203-264-6598

East:

Emily Dwight, 24 Elizabeth Street, Kent

South:

Russell and Sun Jennings, 6 Bluff Road, Kent
Alternate mailing address: 6812 Hathaway Street, Springfield VA 22153

West:

Housatonic River



**TOWN OF KENT
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION**

PERMISSION FOR INSPECTION

Property Address:	8 Bluff Road
Map/Block/Lot:	19/15/38
Application/Permit #:	

The undersigned applicant hereby consents to necessary and proper inspections of the above-mentioned property by the Inland Wetlands Commission and/or its authorized agents, at reasonable times, both before and after the permit in question has been granted by the Commission.

Name (printed)	Virginia Bush Suttman
Signature	<i>Virginia Bush Suttman</i>
Date	6/3/20









Donna Hayes <landuseadmin@townofkentct.org>

HRC - tree cutting

1 message

Klingebiel, Jesse <klingebielj@kent-school.edu>

Thu, Jun 11, 2020 at 9:46 AM

To: vbushsuttman@aol.com

Cc: Stephen Robey <robeys@kent-school.edu>, Donna Hayes <landuseadmin@townofkentct.org>

Good morning Virginia,

I hear from town hall that you are hoping to remove a few dying trees from your yard and they are in the floodplain of the Housatonic River. After reviewing your application, you have our (HRC) full approval to do so.

As you are one land owner in that stretch to actually have a suitable stand of trees protecting our river bank, providing habitat and reducing harmful runoff from entering the River, you might want to replant. As one who has planted scores of trees right across the way, may I recommend a few? In that lowland area, sycamores will do fantastic. They grow VERY fast and can re establish your forest in short order. I plant tiny seedlings, and in a few years they explode into trees (thus minimal cost). Plus the beavers don't seem to care for them. Cottonwoods also grow incredibly fast and will do great, but the beavers love them and they do have seed pods that can be pretty annoying (or lovely if you like them I suppose). Slippery elm and swamp maples are also good choices that will grow a bit slower, but thrive in your location. Protecting all but the sycamore from beaver would be important.

Thank you for checking in with us.

Sincerely,

Jesse Klingebiel
Kent Representative, Housatonic River Commission

Kent School Science Department Chair
Girls Varsity Soccer Coach
Kent, CT 06757
klingebielj@kent-school.edu
860-927-6098



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RECEIVED
6/15/2020
DMH

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

June 9, 2020

TO: Parties & Intervenors

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director *MAB*

RE: **DOCKET NO. 488** - Homeland Towers, LLC and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC d/b/a AT&T application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at one of two sites: Kent Tax Assessor ID #M10, Block 22, Lot 38 Bald Hill Road or 93 Richards Road, Kent, Connecticut.

Enclosed please find a copy of the Connecticut Siting Council's notice of a public hearing for the above-referenced matter.

MB/RDM/lm

Enclosure (1)

c: Secretary of the State
Council Members
Application Service Recipients
BCT Reporting LLC
Pryme Tyme Entertainment



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HEARING NOTICE

Pursuant to provisions of Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50m and Governor Lamont's March 14, 2020 Executive Order No. 7B, notice is hereby given that the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) will conduct a remote public hearing via Zoom conferencing on Thursday, July 23, 2020, beginning with an evidentiary session at 2:00 p.m., and continuing with a public comment session at 6:30 p.m. The hearing will be on an application from Homeland Towers, LLC and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC d/b/a AT&T for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at one of two sites: Kent Tax Assessor ID #M10, Block 22, Lot 38 Bald Hill Road or 93 Richards Road, Kent, Connecticut.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive evidence on the applicants' assertions that the public need for the facility outweighs any adverse environmental effects from the construction, operation, and maintenance of the facility. The 2:00 p.m. evidentiary session will provide the applicants, parties and intervenors an opportunity to cross-examine positions. **No public comments will be received during the 2:00 p.m. evidentiary session.** The 6:30 p.m. public comment session will be reserved for the public to make brief statements into the record. During the 6:30 p.m. public comment session, the applicants will present an overview of the proposed facility.

Attendees can join by clicking (or entering) the following link:

<https://zoom.us/j/98239942005?pwd=ektScjhxZORMaFVvK2NHMzVBdWwydz09>

from a computer, smartphone, or tablet. No prior software download is required. For audio-only participation, attendees can join by dialing in at **1 (929) 205- 6099 (not toll free)** and then enter the **Meeting ID# 982 3994 2005** from a telephone.

Interested persons may join any session to listen, but must sign-up in advance to speak during the 6:30 p.m. public comment session.

To participate in the **6:30 p.m. public comment session by computer, smartphone or tablet**, please send an email to siting.council@ct.gov with your name, email address and mailing address by **July 16, 2020**. To participate in the **6:30 p.m. public comment session by telephone**, please leave a voicemail message at 860-827-2935 with your name, telephone number, and mailing address by **July 16, 2020**. Public comments may also be submitted to the Council by electronic mail or by regular mail.

Any person may be removed from the Zoom remote evidentiary session or public comment session at the discretion of the Council.

Applicable law for this proceeding includes the Public Utility Environmental Standards Act, General Statutes § 16-50g, et seq., and Sections 16-50j-1, et seq., of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The Council directs that all testimony and exhibits be pre-filed electronically with the Council and all parties and intervenors by July 16, 2020.

Individuals are encouraged to participate through their elected officials and other party/intervenor groupings.

Any person seeking to be named or admitted as a party or intervenor to the proceeding may file a written request to be so designated at siting.council@ct.gov, on or before July 16, 2020.

Parties and intervenors will be allowed to submit briefs and proposed findings of fact within 30 days after the close of the evidentiary record.

Any person who is not a party or intervenor to this proceeding may file a written statement with the Council up to 30 days after the close of the evidentiary record. No written statement or any other information will be accepted after 30 days of the close of the evidentiary record, except as otherwise prescribed by law or the Council.

A verbatim transcript of the hearing will be posted on the Council's project webpage and deposited in the Town Clerk's Office of the Kent Town Hall for the convenience of the public.

Requests for information in alternative formats or for sign-language interpreter services must be submitted in writing by July 16, 2020.

Information about how the public hearing will be conducted and how the public can access it will be posted on the Council's Docket No. 488 project webpage at the following link: <https://www.ct.gov/csc/cwp/view.asp?a=962&q=611306>

The applicants are represented by the following:

Applicants

Homeland Towers, LLC and New Cingular
Wireless, PCS, LLC d/b/a AT&T

Its Representative

Lucia Chiochio, Esq.
Cuddy & Feder, LLP
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