

TOWN HALL 238 Danbury Road Wilton, Connecticut 06897

August 17, 2021

CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Hermann & Candice Behrens 220 Nod Hill Road Wilton, CT 06897

Subject:

Wetlands Permit Application **#2654 – BEHRENS** 220 Nod Hill Road, Wilton, CT, Map**#**78 Lot**#**11-4

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Behrens:

The Inland Wetlands Commission of the Town of Wilton has **GRANTED** your application to conduct significant "regulated activities" within the Town of Wilton. Your attention is directed to the enclosed Resolution #0721-57 WET. It contains a description of the permitted work and the terms and conditions attached. Please review it carefully. <u>Your work must conform to your permit</u>. This permit is valid for five years. Refer to General Condition #2 for additional information. The Director of Environmental Affairs must be notified 24 hours prior to commencing on-site work.

If you have not already done so, you should contact the State of Connecticut, Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, Bureau of Water Management, to determine the requirement, if any, for State authorization. If your project involves filling of, or discharge to, Federally regulated wetlands or watercourses, you should contact the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Waltham, Massachusetts.

For your records, a copy of the Legal Notice of the Commission's decision is enclosed. If you have any questions or comments regarding your permit, please contact this office. Thank you for your cooperation in protecting the valuable natural resources of the Town of Wilton.

Sincerely,

Nick Lee Chairman

Encl. Resolution #0721-57 WET General Conditions Legal Notice of Publication



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Resolution#0721-57WET Permit WET#2654 August 17, 2021

Upon Public Hearing, duly noticed and held and upon MOTION duly made, seconded, and carried, the following decision was made:

RESOLVED:

that Wetlands Application #2654 to conduct "Significant Regulated Activities," as defined by Section 2.1.x of the Wilton Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations be granted to Hermann and Candice Behrens for "corrective action" to address unpermitted clearing of trees within a regulated area at 220 Nod Hill Road, Wilton, CT (Assessor's Map #78, Lot #11-4) as described in documents entitled:

- 1. Cease & Desist Order, dated June 30, 2020
- 2. Legal Notice for Show Cause Hearing, dated June 30, 2020
- 3. Email from Alan Huth of SNEW, dated July 2, 2020
- 4. Letter from SNEW, dated July 2, 2020, signed by Alan Huth
- 5. Email correspondence between property owners and staff, dated July 6, 2020
- 6. Email from property owners to staff, dated July 8, 2020
- 7. Letter from Hermann & Candice Behrens, undated
- 8. Email to Commissioners, dated July 8, 2020
- 9. Email to SNEW, dated July 8, 2020
- 10. Survey Map, dated July 21, 1977, prepared by Ryan & Faulds, signed by Donald Badue, LS
- 11. Application for a Significant Regulated Activity with supporting documentation, dated September 10, 2020, signed by the property owner
- 12. Project Narrative, undated, unknown preparer
- 13. Site Soil Investigation, dated August 28, 2020, prepared by Pfizer-Jahnig, signed by Mary Jaehnig
- 14. Watershed Map, dated August 2020, prepared by Environmental Land Solutions, LLC
- 15. Wetland Buffer Planting Plan WP.1, dated September 4, 2020, prepared by Environmental Land Solutions, LLC, signed and sealed by Kate Throckmorton, LA, CT Lic#635
- 16. Email correspondence between Owner and Staff, dated September 14, 2020
- 17. Property Survey & Topographic Survey, dated August 27, 2020, prepared by Ryan & Faulds, signed by Douglas Faulds
- 18. Legal Notice for Public Hearing, dated October 29, 2020
- 19. Memo from Conservation Commission, dated November 5, 2020
- 20. Email to Commissioners from Staff, dated November 5, 2020
- 21. Email to Owners and Agent from Staff, dated November 5, 2020
- 22. Email to Staff from Owner, dated November 9, 2020

- 23. Memorandum to Commission, dated November 9, 2020, prepared by Hermann & Candice Behrens
- 24. Email from Staff to Commissioners, dated November 9, 2020
- 25. Email from SNEW, dated November 10, 2020
- 26. Letter from SNEW, dated November 10, 2020
- 27. Plot Plan, dated July 25, 2011, prepared by Riordin Land Surveying (WLR Map#5713)
- 28. Email from Staff to Owners, dated November 10, 2020
- 29. Email from Staff to Commissioners, dated November 10, 2020
- 30. Email from Owner to Staff, dated November 12, 2020
- 31. Letter from Owners, dated November 11, 2020
- 32. Email from Owners, dated November 12, 2020
- 33. Email to SNEW from Staff, dated November 12, 2020
- 34. Email from Staff to Commissioners, dated November 12, 2020
- 35. Email from Staff to Commissioners, dated November 12, 2020
- 36. Email from Owner to Staff, dated November 13, 2020
- 37. Email from Staff to Commissioners, dated November 12, 2020
- 38. Email from Staff to SNEW, dated November 12, 2020
- 39. Legal Notice for Public Hearing, dated November 25, 2020
- 40. Email correspondence from Owner's Attorney, dated December 8, 2020
- 41. Email from Staff to Owner's Attorney, dated January 11, 2021
- 42. Email correspondence between Owner's Attorney and Staff, dated January 13, 2021
- 43. Letter from Maslan Associates, P.C., dated January 12, 2021, signed by Robert Maslan
- 44. Email from Owner to Staff, dated January 13, 2021
- 45. Email correspondence between Property Owner and Staff, dated January 15, 2021
- 46. Email from Kate Throckmorton, dated February 8, 2021
- 47. Project Narrative, dated February 8, 2021, prepared by Environmental Land Solutions, signed by Kate Throckmorton
- 48. Wetland Buffer Planting Plan, dated September 4, 2020, last revised February 8, 2021, prepared by Environmental Land Solutions, unsigned
- 49. Tree Removal Exhibit 2016, dated February 8, 2021, prepared by Environmental Land Solutions
- 50. Email from Staff to Commissioners, dated February 8, 2021
- 51. Revised Application Form, dated February 5, 2021, signed by the Owner
- 52. Permit Fee Payment Letter, dated February 5, 2021, prepared by Hermann & Candice Behrens
- 53. Email from Staff to Owners, dated February 10, 2021
- 54. Transmittal, dated February 11, 2021, prepared by Environmental Land Solutions
- 55. Email correspondence between Agent, Owner and Staff, dated February 12, 2021
- 56. Email correspondence between Property Owner and Staff, dated February 17, 2021
- 57. Narrative Supplement, dated February 22, 2021, prepared by Environmental Land Solutions, signed by Kate Throckmorton
- 58. Email from Kara Murphy, Counsel for SNEW, dated February 25, 2021
- 59. Letter from SNEW, dated February 25, 2021, signed by Alan Huth
- 60. Email to Commissioners from Staff, dated February 26, 2021
- 61. Email correspondence between Owner and Staff, dated March 3, 2021
- 62. Letter from Thune Associates Consulting Engineers, dated March 2, 2021
- 63. Email from Staff to Commissioners, dated March 3, 2021

- 64. Location Map, undated, unknown preparer
- 65. Referral memo to Dept. of Public Works, Health, and Conservation, dated March 4, 2021
- 66. Email from Agent to Staff, dated March 4, 2021
- 67. Transmittal, dated March 4, 2021, prepared by Environmental Land Solutions, LLC
- 68. Supplemental Letter, dated March 4, 2021, prepared by Environmental Land Solutions, LLC, signed by Kate Throckmorton
- 69. Email from Staff to Commissioners, dated March 8, 2021
- 70. Memo from Dept. of Public Works, dated March 9, 2021
- 71. Email from Staff to Commissioners, dated March 9, 2021
- 72. Email from Staff to Owner and Agent, dated March 9, 2021
- 73. Email from Owner to Staff, dated May 27, 2021
- 74. Email from SNEW Attorney, dated June 9, 2021
- 75. Letter from Tierney, Zullo, Flaherty and Murphy, P.C., dated June 9, 2021, signed by Kara Murphy
- 76. Email from Staff to Commissioners, dated June 9, 2021
- 77. Email from Kara Murphy, dated June 17, 2021
- 78. Letter from Tierney, Zullo, Flaherty and Murphy, dated June 17, 2021, signed by Kara Murphy
- 79. Letter from Conwood Foresters, Inc., undated
- 80. Email from Staff to Commissioners, dated June 21, 2021
- 81. Email from Agent, dated June 23, 2021
- 82. Letter from Environmental Land Solutions, dated June 23, 2021, signed by Kate Throckmorton
- 83. Photo, dated December 16, 2018, unknown preparer
- 84. Email from Staff to Commissioners, dated June 23, 2021
- 85. Email from Owner, dated June 23, 2021
- 86. Response to Timber Trespass Report, dated June 23, 2021, prepared by Hermann and Candice Behrens
- 87. Email from Staff to Commissioners, dated June 23, 2021
- 88. Email from Staff to Agent, dated June 23, 2021
- 89. Transmittal Sheet, dated June 23, 2021, prepared by Environmental Land Solutions
- 90. Referral Memo to Dept. of Public Works, Health and Conservation, dated June 24, 2021
- 91. Email from Agent to Staff, dated July 2, 2021
- 92. Wetland Buffer Planting Plan, dated September 4, 2020, last revised July 2, 2021, prepared by Environmental Land Solutions, signed and sealed by Kate Throckmorton, LA, CT Lic#635
- 93. Email from Staff to Commissioners, dated July 6, 2021
- 94. Transmittal Sheet, dated July 8, 2021, prepared by Environmental Land Solutions
- 95. Email correspondence between Staff and Owners, dated July 9, 2021
- 96. Email from Casey Cordes of SNEW, dated July 12, 2021
- 97. Letter from SNEW, dated July 12, 2021, signed by Casey Cordes

The permit is subject to the attached General Conditions with the following General and normal Special Conditions:

- 1. Prior to the commencement of any on-site permit related activity, the applicant shall submit an estimate for the cost of the planting plan and the erosion and sedimentation control plan for approval by this commission or its staff for the purpose of determining a bond amount.
- 2. Prior to the commencement of any on-site permit related activity, the applicant shall post a bond in a form and an amount acceptable to this commission and town counsel. The portion of the bond attributed to the planting plan shall be eligible for release at the end of the second full growing season after the planting plan is fully implemented. In the event the applicant fails to properly implement and maintain the planting plan or, the erosion and sedimentation control plan, the Town reserves the right to use the bonded funds to correct such deficiencies.
- 3. Prior to the commencement of any on-site permit related activity, the applicant shall submit photo documentation of the site. The photos shall be both wide angle and close up shots. They shall be labeled and cross referenced on a site plan.

END

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WET#2654

GENERAL CONDITIONS

IN THE ISSUANCE OF ALL WILTON INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION PERMITS

- 1. The permittee shall notify the Director of Environmental Affairs 24 hours prior to the commencement of work and upon its completion.
- 2. If the authorized activity is not completed on or before <u>8/17/26</u> said activity shall cease and, if not previously revoked or specifically extended, this permit shall be null and void.
- 3. No equipment or material including fill, construction materials, or debris, shall be deposited, placed, or stored in any wetland or watercourse on or off site unless specifically authorized by this permit.
- 4. All work and all regulated activities conducted pursuant to this authorization shall be consistent with the terms and conditions of this permit. Any structures, excavation, fill, obstructions, encroachments or regulated activities not specifically identified and authorized herein shall constitute a violation of this permit and may result in its modification, suspension, or revocation. Upon initiation of the activities authorized herein, the permittee thereby accepts and agrees to comply with the terms and conditions of this permit.
- 5. Prior to commencement of any construction, including road, accessways, drainage systems, and lots, each and every general contractor and subcontractor employed by the applicant or subsequent purchaser shall execute a document in the form annexed indicating that the contractor or subcontractor has fully familiarized itself with and understands the Wilton Inland Wetlands and Water Courses Regulations as they apply to its project, and with the terms of the permitted activity, including the general and special conditions which may pertain.
- 6. The permittee shall employ best management practices, consistent with the terms and conditions of this permit, to control storm water discharges, to prevent erosion and sedimentation and to otherwise prevent pollution of wetlands or watercourses. For information and technical assistance, contact the Director of Environmental Affairs. The permittee shall immediately inform the Commission of any problems involving wetlands or watercourses which develop during the course of, or which are caused by, the authorized work.
- 7. In evaluating this application, the Commission has relied on information provided by the applicant and, if such information subsequently proves to be false, deceptive, incomplete and/or inaccurate, this permit shall be modified, suspended or revoked.
- 8. Nothing in this permit shall obviate the requirements for the applicant to obtain any other assents, permits or licenses required by law or regulation by the Town of Wilton, State of Connecticut and the Government of the United States, including any approval required by the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Obtaining such assents, permits or licenses is the sole responsibility of the applicant.
- 9. This permit is subject to and does not derogate any present or future property rights or other rights or powers of the Town of Wilton, conveys no property rights in real estate of material nor any exclusive privileges, and is further subject to any and all public and private rights and to any federal, state and local activity affected hereby.
- 10. This authorization is not transferable without the written consent of the Wilton Inland Wetlands Commission.
- 11. Where applicable, the oil tank shall be above ground or in the basement of the dwelling.



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CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 0721-57WET

WETLANDS PERMIT NUMBER: <u>#2654</u>

As a contractor/subcontractor engaged by _______ to perform the regulated activities described in Wilton Inland Wetlands Commission Permit referenced above, I am familiar with the applicable State and Town of Wilton Inland Wetlands and Water Courses Regulations and the Permit, and will comply with all the conditions therein.

Work will commence on or about ______ and will be completed within _____ weeks.

Name:_____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Signature

Date Signed

MAIL TO: Wilton Inland Wetlands Commission Town Hall Annex 238 Danbury Road Wilton, CT 06897 (203) 563-0180



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LEGAL NOTICE - PUBLISH ONCE

The Wilton Inland Wetlands Commission took the following ACTION on July 15, 2021

GRANTED with conditions, Wetlands Application **WET#2654 – BEHRENS** – "corrective action" to address unpermitted clearing of trees within a regulated area at 220 Nod Hill Road, Wilton, CT (Assessor's Map #78, Lot #11-4).

The full record of the Commission's action is available for public review at its offices in the Town Hall Annex at 238 Danbury Road, Wilton, CT.

Dated this 17th day of August, 2021 at Wilton, CT

Publish in WILTON BULLETIN August 26, 2021

Claudia Avallone Secretary