TOWN OF VERNON Inland Wetlands Commission (IWC)

Meeting Notice & Agenda Tuesday, June 28, 7:00 PM

Town Council Chambers 3rd Floor, 14 Park Place Vernon, Connecticut

- 1. Call to Order & Roll Call
- 2. Administrative Actions
 - **2.1** Approval of Draft Minutes from Special Meeting 5-3-22. Note Regular Meeting scheduled for May 24, 2022 was canceled
 - 2.2 Call for filing(s) of Intervener Petitions and Determination of Status
- 3. Public Hearing and or Action on Applications none
- 4. Old Business Discussion and possible action
 - **4.1** Juliano, 321 Talcottville Road Cease and Correct Order, fill placement beyond limits of approved plan. Reference to IWC 2008 -08
- 5. New Business
 - 5.1 Receipt of new applications if any
- 6. Wetland Agent / Enforcement Officer Report
- 7. Other
 - **7.1** Lake Pesticide Treatment notifications for Tankerhoosen Lake, Middle Bolton Lake and 19 Rosewood Drive.
- 8. Adjournment

Donald Schubert, Chairperson Inland Wetlands Commission

Special Meeting

TOWN OF VERNON
Inland Wetlands Commission (IWC)
Tuesday May 3rd, 2022 7:00 PM

VIA Zoom

Draft Minutes

- 1. Call to Order & Roll Call by Chairperson Rachel Stansel at 7:07 p.m. In attendance were Commission Members Rachel Stansel, Kathy Minor, and Don Schubert. Staff members present Craig Perry, Wetlands Enforcement Officer, David Smith, Town Engineer, Luciana Granstrand, Planning Specialist and Shaun Gately, Economic Development Coordinator. Also, in attendance for the Zoom Meeting were Timothy Coon, Eric Spungin, Greg Spungin, Jay Ussery, Tim Houle, Art Allen, George Logan, James Basile, Sagan Simko, and Justin Parlapiano. Recording Secretary: Claire Crane
- 2. Administrative Actions
 - 2.1 Approval of Minutes from Regular I Meeting 4-19-22

Chair Rachel Stansel **MOVED** to **APPROVE** the minutes from the April 19th, 2022 meeting. Don Schubert seconded and the motion carried unanimously

- 3. Public Hearing and or Action on Applications
 - 3.1 **CONTINUATION of IWC 2022-01, 501 Talcottville Rd.** An Application by Vernon Development LLC for a Wetlands Re-designation and a Wetlands Permit for activity in a regulated area, in order to develop a child-care facility at 501 Talcottville Rd. (Tax Map 09, Block 007, Parcel 0001D).
 - A note sent to Planning and Zoning from Judith Veillette, 786 Dart Hill Road was read into record regarding her opposition to the proposed project.
 - Discussion ensued regarding the most recent package called Alternate #2 from the applicant's representatives.
 - Tim Coon and Jay Ussery of J. R. Russo and Associates reviewed the most recent changes to the plans.
 - It was noted that the Zoning Board of Appeals approved the requested reduction in parking spaces that makes Alternative #2 possible, as it allows for a greater buffer with 20 feet of an undisturbed area.
 - George Logan, REMA, Environmental Scientist reviewed in detail the recommended plantings for the buffer restoration, enhancement areas, and approach for the removal/control of invasive species.
 - Art Allen, Vice President EcoTec, Environmental Scientist serving as the 3rd party reviewing consultant provided feedback and asked questions.
 - Staff members and commission members had questions and discussion.

• Public comments were received from:

 \circ Jaime King: 58 Worcester Road

o John Coro: 52 Worcester Road

o Tom Shirshac: 64 Worcester Road

 The staff and Commission discussed the re-designation, the site development proposal known as Alternative #2, and the request to provide feedback to Planning and Zoning on the additional request for a subdivision of the Lot into Lot 1 and Lot 2. Final questions were made to J.R. Russo and Associates, REMA, and the EcoTec representatives.

Kathy Minor **MOVED** to **CLOSE** the Public Hearing at 8:12 p.m. for application **IWC 2022-01, 501 Talcottville Rd** Don Schubert seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- The Commission and staff had a final discussion in preparation of a vote.
- In regards for input on the Subdivision, the Commission noted that the applicant would have to come back with a future plan, as they cannot evaluate a "concept" scenario.

Chair Rachel Stanzel **MOVED** to **APROVE** the Re-Designation Portion of Application [IWC-2022 01] of the Vernon Development LLC and Kathy Minor seconded the motion and it carried unanimously with the following conditions:

- The limit of the inland wetlands as presented on J.R. Russo's Alternate 2 plan revised to 4/19/22 be revised to reflect the line from Flag A14 to A24.

Chair Rachel Stanzel **MOVED** to APROVE the Site Development Plan of Application [IWC-2022 01] of the Vernon Development LLC and Kathy Minor seconded the motion and it carried unanimously:

for a Wetlands Permit upon consideration of the decision criteria in Section 10.2 of the Town of Vernon Wetlands Regulations and based on a finding that the project will have no adverse impacts on wetlands or water courses, and subject to the following conditions:

- a. A final plan set should be submitted for final staff review to verify all required updates have been incorporated. This must include the updated proposed wetland buffer restoration enhancement areas in the REMA report dated 4/28/2022.
- b. The property shall be developed in substantial conformance to the final Plan set prepared by J. R. RUSSO and associates.
- c. Erosion control matting is added on seeded areas whenever slope is greater than 3:1.
- d. Report to be provided after year one and year two on the plantings and removal of invasives. Certification after 2 years that the REMA mitigation plan has been fully installed and maintained.
- e. Notify the Wetland Enforcement Officer when Sediment and Erosion Control Measures are installed.
- f. Provide a Sediment and Erosion Control Bond in the amount of \$10,000 prior to any construction activities.

Chair Rachel Stanzel **MOVED** to **Direct** the Town Engineer to convey to the Vernon Planning and Zoning Commission that with regards to the Request for a Subdivision of this property that the Vernon IWC does not object, but request that a note be included on the final plan that the 'Vernon Inland Wetland Commission has not approved any activity on the proposed lot labeled #2 on the Subdivision Application. Kathy Minor seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- 3.2 **Continuation of IWC 2022-02, 304 Merline Road.** An Application of CT Water Company for a Wetland Re-Designation for property located at 304 Merline Rd. (Tax Map 09, Block 015T, Parcel 00046).
- Second Public Hearing opened at 8:49 p.m.
- CT Water representative Justin Parlapiano was present by Zoom; there were no additional
 questions made by the staff or Commission members; Justin Parlapiano had no additional
 information to present. The information in the packet was deemed sufficient to move to a
 vote.

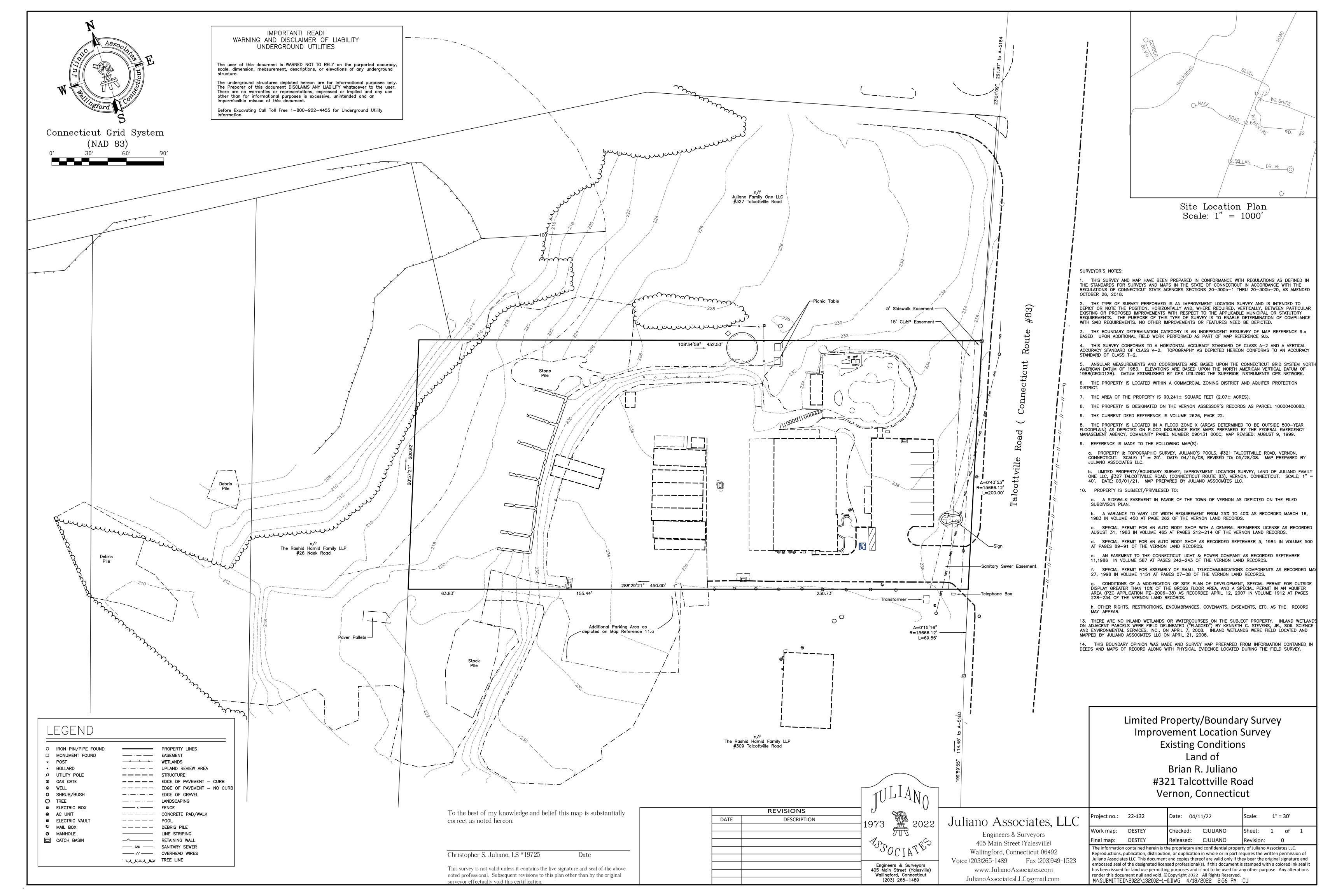
Chair Rachel Stanzel **MOVED** to **CLOSE** the Public Hearing at 8:50 P. M. for application **IWC 2022-02, 304 Merline Road,** and Don Shubert seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

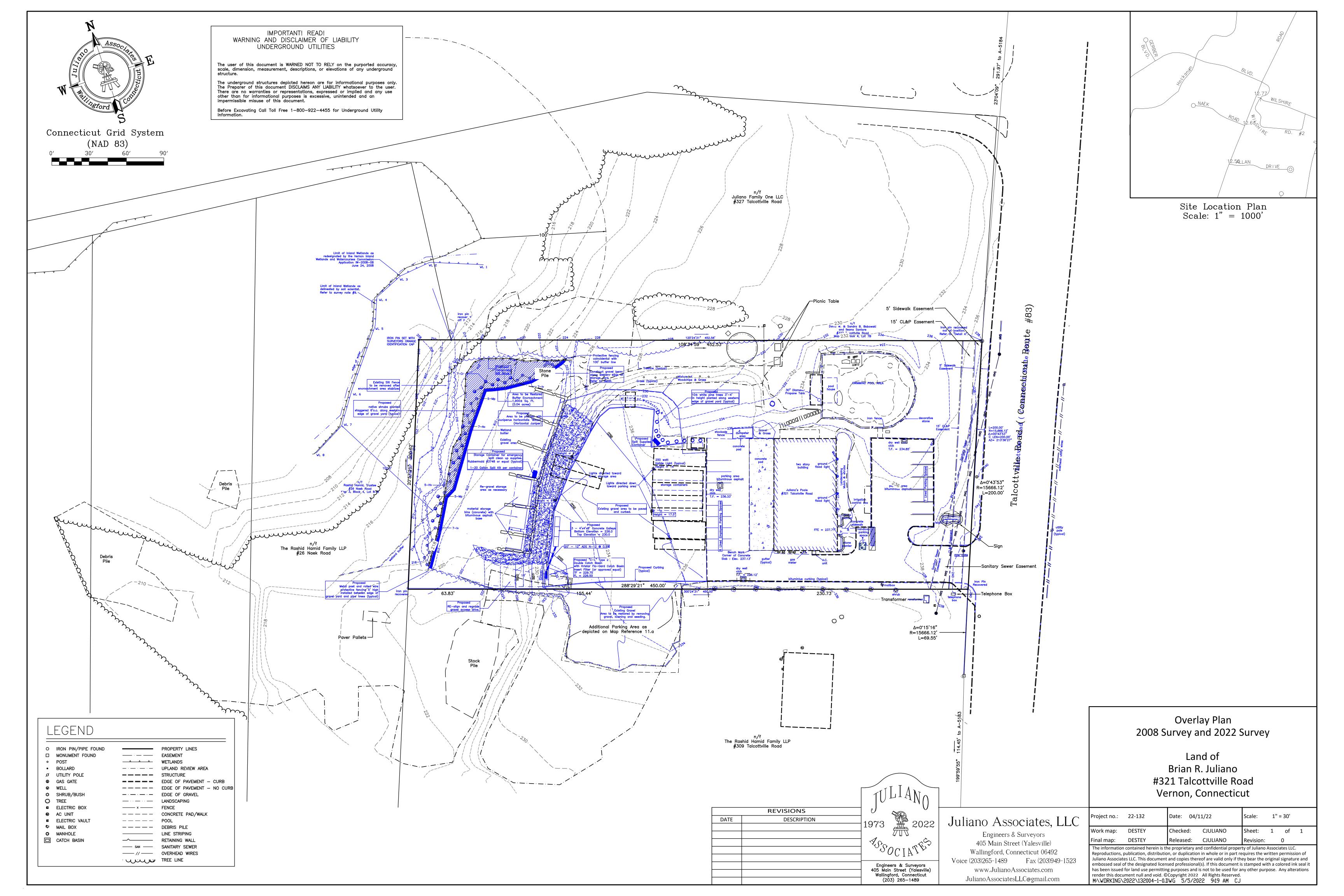
Don Schubert **MOVED** to **APPROVE** and Kathy Minor seconded the motion and it carried unanimously **IWC 2022-02, 304 Merline Road,** An Application of CT Water Company for a Wetland Re-Designation for property located at 304 Merline Rd. (Tax Map 09, Block 015T, Parcel 00046).

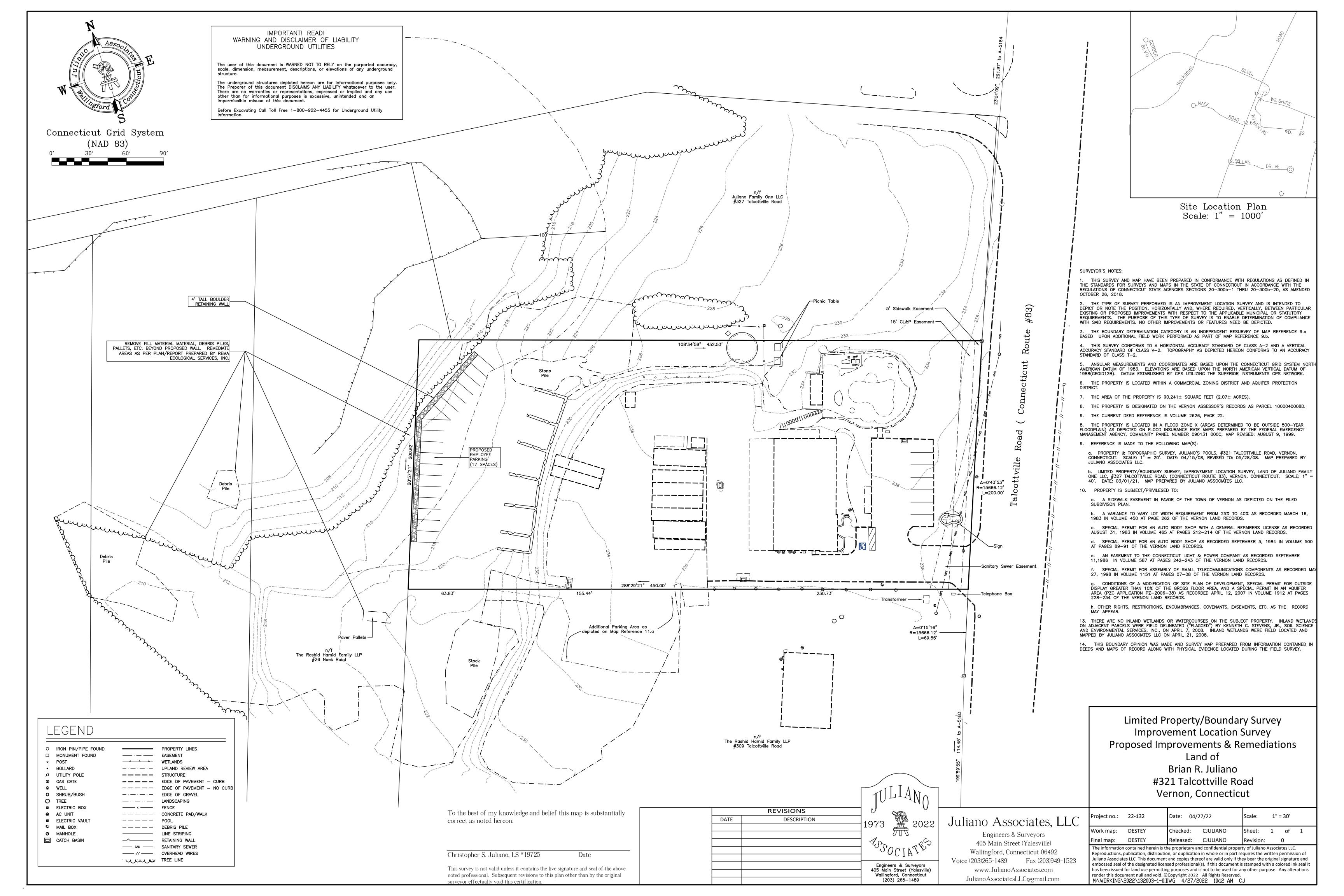
- 4. New Business Discussion and possible action
 - **4.1 IWC 2022-3, 129 Talcottville Road.** An application for Minor Modifications of Existing Land Use Permits; former application IWC 2016 -05
 - Tim Houle, Senior Civil Engineer, from BL Companies and the staff reviewed the recommended modifications to the plan that were listed on an April 28th memo from the Vernon staff. Sagan Simko, Senior Environmental Scientist, from BL Companies reported his observations from visiting the application site. Discussion ensued.

Rachel Stanzel **MOVED** to **APPROVE** Application [IWC-2022 03] and Kathy Minor and Don Schubert seconded and it carried unanimously for minor modification of existing land use permits at 129 Talcottville Rd (formerly application IWC 2016-5 upon consideration of the decision criteria in Section 10.2 of the Town of Vernon Wetlands Regulations and based on a finding that the project will have no adverse impacts on wetlands or watercourses, and subject to the following conditions:

- a. The property shall be developed in substantial conformance to the final Plan set prepared by BL Companies dated 4/15/2022; and to include all of the Vernon staff recommendations in the memo dated April 28th.
- 5. Chairperson Rachel Stanzel **ADJOURNED** the meeting at 9:17 PM.









June 16, 2022

Fax: (860) 870-3683

Mr. Brian Juliano 321 Talcottville Road Vernon, CT 06066

Re: Vernon Inland Wetlands Cease and Correct Order

Dear Brian,

We have reviewed the three plans provided by your surveyor related to this issue and believe that there is a blend of restoration and new activities that can resolve the current violation and perhaps accommodate your business needs.

With regard to the survey showing Proposed Conditions, it should be noted that the Vernon Zoning Regulations do not allow parking within 10' of the property line. The attached sketch shows a variation of that plan which provides parking, respects that requirement and utilizes the grade as it currently exists. Also shown on that sketch is proposed grading, to remove much of the unauthorized fill in proximity to the vernal pool on the adjacent property. The area to be regraded will need to be loamed, seeded and mulched; and protected from erosion with sediment and erosion control measures. We suggest that your Soil Scientist provide a planting plan for this area, including grasses, herbaceous and woody shrubs as appropriate.

We recommend some substantial barrier be provided at the westerly edge of the proposed parking spaces. Your proposal for a stone retaining wall is not necessary but individual large stones at the top of the slope, or a rail fence and some 2" caliper trees would also be acceptable. This is to define the limit of your active use and to provide the necessary buffer to the vernal pool.

The Vernon Inland Wetlands Commission will be meeting on June 28, 2022 in the Council Chambers at 14 Park Place at 7:00pm to discuss the outstanding Cease and Correct Order, and your attendance is essential in developing a fair and equitable resolution to this. If the Commission agrees, we are suggesting that the above listed details be prepared and submitted as a 'Commission Modification to a Previous Plan' application.

We will also ask the Commission to require that the catchbasin and leaching system required in your earlier permit (2008-08) be inspected and rehabilitated as needed. This catchbasin was completely filled at the time of our last inspection. This structure, connecting pipes and possibly the leaching galleries will need to be cleared of accumulated soil, gravel and debris to function as intended.

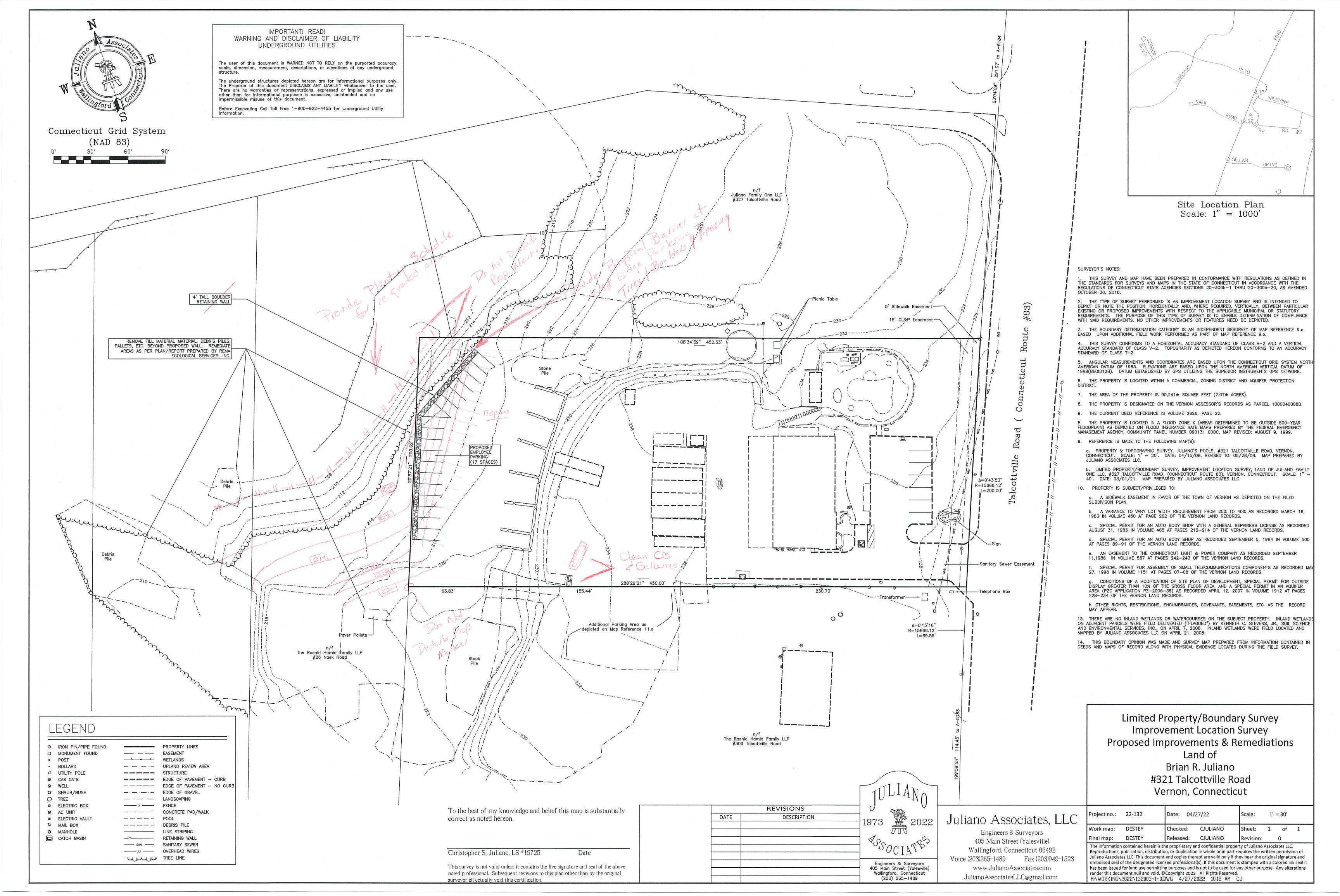
That the discussion on Tuesday June 28th will review these considerations and provide some guidance on what your next few steps should be. Unlike earlier discussions, this will be an in-person meeting and you are welcome to have your Soil Scientist and Surveyor join us.

If you have any questions regarding this note, please contact Craig Perry at 860-870-3638.

David A. Smith, Town Engineer

Craig Perry, Wetland Enforcement Officer

Cc: Shaun Gately, Director of Planning IWC Commission





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Certified Letter

Borghesi Building & Engineering Co. Inc. 2155 East Main St. Torrington, CT 06790

c/o Allan Borghesi

May 31, 2022

RE: Wetland Agent Approval for 371 Talcottville Rd (Valvoline)

Dear Applicant,

I have received your Inland Wetlands Commission (IWC) application (WA-2022-01) for the above listed address. This application is requesting a Wetland Agent Approval for the work proposed within 100' of an existing detention basin. The newly proposed detention basin, some parking area, and a portion of the stormwater piping is within the 100' regulated area. This work is associated with the proposed construction of a garage building.

I have reviewed the proposed site plan SP2 for this project, titled Valvoline, dated 04-28-22 (last revised 05-18-22), and it is my opinion that the proposed site work will have no present or future impacts to the adjacent wetlands due to the proposed Detention Basin, Environment 21 V2B1 Stormwater Treatment System and the erosion controls.

Subsequently, I approve this work as the Wetland Agent for the Town of Vernon in accordance with CT General Statutes 22a-36 thru 22a-45.

If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact me at 860-870-3638.

Sincerely,

Craig W. Perry Wetland Agent

Wetlands Enforcement Officer

c.c. Acting Chair
David Smith, PE
Shaun Gately

- Inland Wetlands Commission

- Town Engineer

- Acting Town Planner

File: WA-2022-01



TOWN OF VERNON

55 West Main St., VERNON, CT 06066 Tel: (860) 870-3638 Fax: (860) 870-3683 E-Mail: cperry@vernon-ct.gov

To: Wetlands Commission

From: Wetlands Enforcement Officer Subject: **IWC Project Status Report**

DATE: 2022 – June

Note: Red letters indicate a change from the last report.

IWC-2022-02 (304 Merline Rd – CT Water Co.).

• No construction activity at this time.

IWC-2021-08 (95 Hartford Turnpike – Golf Land – Phase II).

Work continues.

IWC-2021-07 (57 Hartford Turnpike – Former Movie Theater).

• Work continues.

IWC-2021-05 (933 Hartford Turnpike – AmVets).

• No construction activity at this time.

IWC-2021-04 (Naek Road – 70 unit Townhouse Project).

• No construction activity at this time.

IWC-2021-02 (7 Beechwood Rd – New residential home).

• No construction activity at this time.

IWC-2021-01 (58 Wildwood Rd – New residential home).

• No construction activity at this time.

IWC-2020-06 (CT Golfland).

• Work continues.

IWC-2020-05 (Dart Hill Rd Bridge Replacement).

• Bridge closed. Construction has begun.

IWC-2020-04 (Windermere Rd. – Athletic Fields).

• Site work continues.

IWC-2019-05 (Chilstone, LLC 624 Dart Hill Rd – 4 unit apartment bldg.).

- Still needs P & Z approval.
- Project is on hold.

IWC-2019-02 WPCA (Wetlands Permit for site upgrades).

• Construction continues.

IWC-2017-05 (#133 Tunnel Road)

• Property has been sold.

IWC-2017-03 (Hyde Park LLC – #14 Hyde Ave - Apartments)

• No construction activity at this time.

IWC-2016-05 (129/145 Talcottville Rd – Storage Facility behind Wendy's)

- Recent activity by design engineering firm.
- Time extension granted. Expires on Dec. 13, 2026

IWC-2015-05 (Kenneth Kaplan – Drainage System – 200 West Main St.)

- No construction activity at this time.
- Expires on Oct. 9, 2025

IWC-2015-02 (Kenneth Kaplan – Parking Area – 200 West Main St.)

- No construction activity at this time.
- Expires on June 9, 2025

IWC-2013-05 (133 Washington St. – House surrounded by wetlands)

- No construction activity at this time.
- Expires on 3-17-2026 with total extension applied.

IWC-2009-07 (Hotel at 53 Hartford Turnpike)

- No construction at this time.
- Expiration date is 11/25/2023 with total extension applied

IWC-2008-09 (380 Talcottville Road / Phase 2 The Shoppes at Vernon Valley)

- No construction at this time
- Expiration date is 7/28/2022 with total extension applied.

IWC-2005-26 (Bolton Branch Road – Laurel Woods Development)

- Construction of road base and detention basin has been completed.
- The new expiration date is 9/4/2022 with total extension applied.

IWC-2003-05 (117 Reservoir Rd. – Home Depot)

- There is no construction activity at this time.
- New expiration date is 3/27/2026 with the possibility for a 5 year extension.

Other Information of Importance:

Cease and Correct Order (#26 Naek Road / 321 Talcottville Road) – caused by Juliano Pools.

Wetland Agent Report:

Approval for;