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Conservation Commission

City of Holyoke

Yoni Glogower, Director of Conservation & Sustainability

**Holyoke Conservation Commission
Organizational Meeting**

**January 9th, 2025
6:15 PM**

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1. Call to Order
2. Election of Conservation Commission Officers
 - a. Chairperson
 - b. Vice-Chairperson
3. Adjourn

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1. Call to Order
2. Request for Determination of Applicability – Filed 12/17/2024
 Applicant: City of Holyoke – Department of Public Works
 Representative: VHB, LLC.
 Location: Race St & Cabot St ROWs
 Description: Resurfacing and related work within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to Bank and 50-foot Buffer Zone to Bank associated with the Second and Third Level canals and Land Under Waterbodies and Waterways.
3. Public Hearing – Notice of Intent DEP WE# 186-0309 (continued from 12/12/24)
 Applicant: Holyoke Community College
 Representative: Fuss and O'Neill
 Location: 303 Homestead Avenue (MBP 155-00-004)
 Description: Entrance drive improvements within the Buffer Zone of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands and Bank.
4. Public Hearing – Notice of Intent DEP WE# 186-0308 (continued from 12/12/24)
 Applicant: LN Berneche, LLC.
 Representative: R Levesque Associates, Inc.
 Location: 37 Appleton Street (MBP 036-01-002)
 Description: Proposed construction of a motor vehicle repair garage within the Buffer Zone to the Canal Wall of Land Under Water Bodies and Waterways.
5. Public Hearing – Notice of Intent DEP WE# 186-0310 (continued from 12/12/24)
 Applicant: Lightshift Energy
 Representative: Tetra Tech
 Location: 361 Whitney Ave (MBP 176-00-036)
 Description: Proposed construction of a battery energy storage system (BESS) within the Buffer Zone of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands

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6. Public Hearing – Notice of Intent DEP WE# 186-0311 – Filed 12/12/2024
Applicant: Convergent Energy & Power, LLC.
Representative: Solli Engineering, LLC
Location: Lower Westfield Rd (MBP 117-00-005A)
Description: Proposed construction of a battery energy storage system (BESS) within the Riverfront Buffer Area of Tannery Brook.
7. Enforcement Order and Administrative Hearing – Issued 10/29/24
Location: 639 West Cherry Street (MBP 202-00-036)
Description: Clearing of mature canopy trees across within the Buffer Zone of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands without prior permitting or approval.
8. Formal Vote – Minutes from 12/12/24 Meeting
9. Discussion – Upcoming Items for 1/23/25 Meeting
10. Mail/other items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair
11. Adjourn