

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 18, 2019
FOR THE EASTON PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Note: These minutes, prepared to comply with Section 1-225 of the General Connecticut Statutes, is an approximate record of matters discussed and actions taken by the Commission at the meeting, but has not yet been reviewed by the commission for accuracy or completeness and is therefore subject to change or correction.

Chairman, Robert Maquat, called the Regular Meeting to order at approximately 7:05 pm.
Regular Members present: Raymond Martin, Ross Ogden, Robert Maquat, Tom Maisano and Wallace Williams who arrived shortly after the start of the meeting.
Alternate Members present: Alison Sternberg and Jay Habansky
Alternate Members absent: Walter Kowalczyk
For the record: The Chairman appointed Jay Habansky to vote for Wallace Williams until he arrived seconds later.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND OTHER MATTERS:

2. ZEO Report: It was noted that a correspondence had been sent to Mr. Brito, 33 Norton Road, regarding current activities on his site.
1. Minutes of Regular Meeting November 4, 2019 of Easton Planning and Zoning Commission- Motion was made by Wallace Williams, seconded by Raymond Martin, to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for the November 4, 2019 Easton Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting as presented. The vote was unanimous, 4-0, motion carried. Thomas Maisano did not vote as he was not present at that meeting.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION: (continued)

3. Update on Grants and other related Planning issues:
Justin Giorlando briefly discussed preliminary results of the "Concept Design Workshop" for the "Complete Street" Initiatives, a two-day design Workshop held on November 15, 2019 (stakeholder's meeting) and November 16, 2019 (Citizens of Town of Easton), for the purpose of collecting public input to improve pedestrian safety and accessibility along a certain portion of Sport Hill/Banks Roads in Easton, CT. He stated that 75% of the people were in favor of sidewalks and that a universal concern was for safety walking and cars speeding. It was noted that the survey response was approximately 9% of the adult citizens in Easton participated as opposed to one held in Fairfield regarding Black Rock where there was only 2% of the adult citizens participating. Mr. Giorlando stated there was a good showing and that the results from this Charrette will be posted on the website after they are received in a couple of weeks.

The Chair stated that he had met with the new First Selectman, David Bindelglass, and Dr. Bindelglass was interested in getting information from the public. After their meeting, the Planning & Zoning Commission decided to postpone the public hearing scheduled for November 19, 2019.

The Commission further discussed the Charrette held to obtain information from citizens and discussed the need safe multi-use paths and crosswalks and the tools used such as medians. The Commission also discussed the use of social media sites to update citizens.

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3. Correspondences: The Chair noted that a memo had been sent to Dori Wollen, Chair of Conservation, regarding the recent map for Tatetuck Estates to let her know that they would like to satisfy whatever criteria wetlands makes regarding the changes proposed on the July 9, 2019 map and that Wetlands should communicate their decision to Planning and Zoning. The Chair also noted that a response to that memo had been received from Conservation, dated November 15, 2019; it was distributed to the Commission.

The Chair noted that Public Works is still looking into the situation on Judd Road, a Scenic Road.

The Chair also noted that Public Works had met with the contractor for Kirby Lane Associates, aka Judd Road Associates, LLC, to discuss the finishing of the subdivision improvements on Judd Road.

A Quarterly Newsletter from the Connecticut Federation of Planning was distributed to the Commission for their review.

At approximately 7:45 pm, there being no other business to be conducted, motion was made by Wallace Williams, seconded by Raymond Martin, to adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimous, 5-0, motion carried.


Margaret Anania, Recording Secretary