

CHRISTINE HALLORAN TOWN CLERK EASTON CT

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING APRIL 16, 2015 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 meeting to order at approximately 7:15pm.

Regular Members present: Robert Maquat, Steve Carlson, Wallace Williams, Milan Spisek and

Robert DeVellis

Alternate Members present: Raymond Martin

Alternate Members absent: Vincent Caprio and Ross Ogden Town Officials present: John Hayes, Land Use Director

ADMINSTRATIVE MATTERS:

- 3. Receipt of "Paniccia West Wind Road" Subdivision, 21 & 25 West Wind Road, proposed 2 lot subdivision to be served off a common driveway accessway off a public road in Trumbull. Present at the meeting was Gregory H. Pidluski, P.E., Land Surveyor, and owner/applicant, Americo Paniccia, for the "Paniccia West Wind Road" Subdivision. The Land Use Director stated there were several items to be addressed by the Engineer, however, the application was deemed sufficiently complete to schedule for public hearing. Public hearing was scheduled for May 18, 2015 to allow for a 30 day referral period to the Greater Bridgeport Regional Council and the Town of Trumbull.
- 2. ZEO Report It was noted that there was no ZEO report. The Chairman stated that he had spoken to the ZEO regarding the necessity of a zoning permit for the door and stairs for the Easton Village Store. It had previously been deemed unnecessary by the Commission.

PLANNING MEETING:

- (1) Morehouse Civic Park: Discussion was held that the Draft Master Plan and accompanying text report will focus primarily on Phase I. The Land Use Director stated that he will be expanding the text for distribution for Monday's meeting.
- (3) Town Plan of Conservation and Development, 2016. The Chairman discussed additional information regarding the preservation of Agriculture he had gathered from other towns. An article on the "Tax Benefits of Conservation Easements" was distributed to the Commission. It was noted that the preservation of agriculture will be an important consideration in the new Town Plan as well as in the updated Zoning Regulations. The Commission discussed Chapter 11 of the prior Town Plan, Policy and Recommendations, and various changes which could be made to this Section.
- (2) Regional Comprehensive Plan The Land Use Director stated that he had received a DRAFT of the Greater Bridgeport Regional Council proposed plan for which the Commission had previously submitted a plan statement on the Goals, Objectives & Strategies. He reported that GBRC had incorporated the Commission's suggestions preserving the public water supply watershed area. This draft plan had been forwarded to the Commission, recently by Wallace Williams, who attended the GBRC's meeting of April 13, 2015. Mr. Williams reported to the Commission that the GBRC and surrounding Towns all supported preserving the public water supply watershed in Easton.

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ADMINSTRATIVE MATTERS: (continued)

1. Minutes of Meeting: March 30, 2015 - Motion was made by Steve Carlson, seconded by Robert DeVellis, to approve the minutes for March 30, 2015, as amended. The vote was unanimous, 5-0, motion carried. Raymond Martin voted as Milan Spisek was absent. Minutes will be filed as amended.

At approximately 9:00PM, there being no other items for discussion, motion was made by Milan Spisek, seconded by Wallace Williams, to adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimous, 5-0, motion carried.

Marga ret Anania, Recording Secretary