

Regular Meeting Minutes November 28, 2017

(Not yet approved by the Commission)

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Brownell called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. at the Town Grange.

2. ATTENDANCE

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Crary Brownell-Chairman (regular member), James Curtin (regular member), Kevin Matthews (regular member), Harvey Thomas (regular member), Bernard Gillis (regular member), Louis Salicrup (regular member) Richard Pettinelli (alternate member). Jo Zaid (alternate member).

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Ed Gubbins (regular member)

OTHERS PRESENT: Jim Ventres (Land Use Administrator), Selectman Rob Smith, Bob Casner, Bob Borgognoni, Patti Borgognoni, Travis Winkley, Peggy Winkley, and Ruth Ziobron (Recording Secretary).

Mr. Pettinelli was seated for Mr. Gubbins.

3. MINUTES

Motion unanimously passed to approve the November 14, 2017 meeting minutes as amended.

-Page 4 correct spelling of Elizabeth Davidson. -Page 2. 1st motion, remove "Pettinelli" and replace with "Gillis".

Motion unanimously passed to approve the October 24, 2017 meeting minutes as presented.

4. BILLS

East Haddam News	\$101.25
Suburban Stationary	74.56

Motion by Mr. Curtin, second by Pettinelli and unanimously passed to approve the bills as presented.

5. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT-There were none.

Motion by Mr. Thomas, second by Mr. Matthews and unanimously passed to change the order of the agenda and proceed to Decisions.

7. DECISIONS

A) #17-07 – Travis Winkley, 60 Smith Road, Special Exception Review under Section 7.1 – Accessory Uses to Agriculture - to include: weddings, banquets, events, etc. Assessor's Map 49. Lot 11.

First Date: November 14, 2017

Last Date: January 17, 2017



Mr. Ventres distributed the location map and site plan. Commission members reviewed and revised a draft Proposed Conditions for Smith Farm Gardens Proposal. Mr. Ventres will revise the draft Proposed Conditions for Smith Farm Gardens Proposal to review at the next meeting.

Motion by Mr. Thomas, second by Mr. Gillis and unanimously passed to continue decision #17-07 – Travis Winkley, 60 Smith Road, Special Exception Review under Section 7.1 – Accessory Uses to Agriculture – to include: weddings, banquets, events, etc. Assessor's Map 49, Lot 11 to the December 12, 2017 meeting.

6. DISCUSSION

A) Plan of Conservation & Development (PCD)

Mr. Thomas asked if the Board of Education's Feasibility Study was complete. Mr. Ventres replied it was due at the end of November.

Mr. Thomas asked Mr. Salicrup to attend the next Board of Finance meeting to review their input to the PCD.

Mr. Salicrup inquired about an extension to postpone the PCD due to the State budgetary issues. Mr. Ventres replied he was working on contacting a representative from the Office of Policy and Management. Mr. Salicrup asked if the BOF had discussed the latest budget cuts from the State. Mr. Thomas replied no because the BOF had not met since the budget cuts were approved by State Legislature.

The PCD Interview Subcommittee reviewed interviews with Horsely Witten Group, Milone & McBroom and Planimetrics on November 15th at the Riverhouse. They recommended Milone & McBroom. The budget will be reviewed. Mr. Brownell suggested asking the Economic Development Commission and Board of Selectman to contribute for the consulting firm. Mr. Casner and Mr. Smith agreed.

8. ZEO Report

Mr. Ventres reviewed discussions with the Attorney representing the new owners of Johnsonville. They are under contract negotiations with Fuss and O'Neill to develop a special exception permit application.

9. ADJORNMENT

Motion by Mr. Pettinelli to adjourn at 8:44 p.m., second by Mr. Matthews and unanimously passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

E. Ruth Ziobron Recording Secretary