

Planning and Zoning Commission, Town of East Haddam Land Use Office

Special Meeting Minutes

June 27, 2018

7:00 p.m.

(Not yet approved by the Commission)

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Brownell called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. at the Municipal Office Complex.

ATTENDANCE

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Crary Brownell- Chairman, Kevin Matthews- Secretary, Harvey Thomas, Bernard Gillis, Louis Salicrup, Ed Gubbins, Richard Pettinelli- Alternate, Joe Zaid-Alternate

COMMISSIONER ABSENT: Jim Curtin, Vice Chairman

OTHERS PRESENT: Jim Ventres, Land Use Administrator

Plan of Conservation and Development

Mr. Scott Schilt from Milone and MacBroom presented a 30 page East Haddam Plan of Conservation and Development Update, (June 27, 2018) to Commission members. Mr. Schilt stated there will be on going discussion, question and answers within the next 6 months.

Mr. Schilt stated of the 570 responses from the survey results; there are a lot of great comments and information. Comments such as: People like the rural location yet close to a city, request for controlled economic development by utilizing buildings already in the village, develop the “Four Corners”, address road maintenance and traffic issues and, the Town website should be updated. Additional comments and information can be viewed by accessing data Milone & MacBroom entered into the report from the survey results.

There are several talking points in the report that will be discussed in detail. Mr. Schilt suggests that each monthly meeting the commission should try to focus on two topics in order to cover all of the plan and development goals. The three areas of East Haddam that will be talked about going forward are: East Haddam Village (old town hall site, designated parking, an area for tourism and culture of E.H. village), Four Corners aka Rt.82, Town St., Mount Parnassus Rd. (expand commercial and mixed-use properties), and Moodus Center (create a village of shops within walking distance to each other & a gathering location for the local community).

Mr. Schilt suggests the Commission should devise a land use master plan. He suggests to reach out to inform the public of the issues the town incurs to expand economic development. He suggests to investigate Grant opportunities to develop town properties to make them more attractive for business and community services.

Mr. Schilt asked the Commission to review the Plan of Conservation and Development and bring their questions to the next meeting on July 25, 2018. At the July 25th meeting the 2 topics to discuss will be Housing and Land use mapping.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Brownell to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m., the motion was seconded by Mr. Matthews and passed by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Toni Marie Dumaine
Recording Secretary