



# The Planning Commission

Town of New Fairfield

New Fairfield, Connecticut 06812

## MINUTES

Regular Meeting

Monday, July 24, 2017

Town Hall Conference Room

4 Brush Hill Road

New Fairfield, CT 06812

**Commissioners Present:** Ms. Cynthia Ross-Zweig, Chair  
Ms. Lisa Deldin, Vice Chair  
Ms. Kirsten Bennett-O'Rourke  
Mr. Ernie Lehman  
Mr. Peter Greco

**Commissioners Absent:** None

**Alternates Present:** Mr. Paul Bruno  
Ms. Olga Nanocchio

**Alternates Absent:** Mr. Louis Giannini

**Guests Present:** Mr. Joseph Reilly  
Caroline Rwan

**Town Officials Present:** Susan Chapman  
Antonio Iadarola

**Call to Order: 7:30 pm**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approval of Minutes**

Peter Greco made a motion to accept the minutes of the April 24, 2017 Meeting. Ernie Lehman seconded the motion.

**Vote: 4-0-1 (Motion Approved)**

Lisa Deldin made a motion to accept the minutes of the June 26, 2017 Meeting with amended correction. Ernie Lehman seconded the motion.

**Vote: 4-0-1 (Motion Approved)**

**Correspondence and Announcements**

None

**Public Comments**

None

**Old Business**

Cynthia Ross-Zweig read a request from Mr. Joseph Reilly requesting the public hearing for the ReSubdivision of Quail Ridge, 102 Shortwoods Road be moved to the next Planning Commission Meeting on August 28, 2017.

Lisa Deldin made a motion to postpone the Public Hearing until August 28, 2017 on Quail Ridge, 102 Shortwoods Road. Kirsten Bennett O'Rourke seconded the motion.

**Vote: 5-0-0 (Motion Approved)**

**NEW BUSINESS**

Request from the Town of New Fairfield for a 8-24, Referral on the sidewalk. The Town Engineer, Antonio Iadarola presented the sidewalk expansion through the center of town and adjoining areas with Susan Chapman. The funds for this expansion were received through a STEAP Grant. The intent of the project is to link businesses and recreational opportunities in the Town of New Fairfield. The extension of existing sidewalks and safer crosswalks are the main focus of the project. The project was bid and only one contractor submitted a bid. Currents the bid is being reviewed as well as alternative bids. Mr. Iadarola is hoping with the approval of the Planning Commission, the Town can move forward with the State and quickly begin construction. He would like to capture this summer's construction season. Mr. Iadarola provided drawings of the new sidewalks, the crosswalks, and the linking of existing sidewalks. Pedestrians will be able to access all shopping centers with the extensions and new sidewalks. Mr. Iadarola took a question from Caroline Rwan. Caroline asked if the extensions and the new sidewalks will match the existing sidewalks. Mr. Iadorala stated that they will match. Cynthia Ross-Zweig asked if lighting would be included in the construction. Mr. Iadarola stated that it was in the original plans but the funds did not allow for lighting. With the design work already being done for lighting and future sidewalks, the Town is in a good position to receive grants that will allow for these items in the future.

Peter Greco made a motion for a positive 8-24 Referral to Board of Selectman regarding sidewalk expansion through center of town and adjoining areas. Lisa Deldin seconded the motion.

**Vote: 5-0-0 (Motion Approved)**

**STANDING ITEMS**

Quail Ridge: Kirsten Bennett O'Rourke asked for the date of application to complete her paperwork, which she will distribute at the next meeting.

Plan of Conservation Development Town Commissions and Goals Update: Lisa Deldin has had no responses. Kirsten Bennett O'Rourke will follow up with Conservation Inlands/Wetlands. Cynthia Ross-Zweig will contact the Board of Education and request and update on their goals since their budget update is finished. PC will then make a request to meet with the Board of Selectman to report what they have.

**Adjournment**

Lisa Deldin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm. Peter Greco seconded the motion.

**Vote: 5-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Respectfully submitted,

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at 1 h 28 m P M and recorded by  
*Pamela J. Donah*  
Pamela J. Donah, Town Clerk, New Fairfield, CT