



# The Planning Commission

Town of New Fairfield

New Fairfield, Connecticut 06812

## MINUTES

### Regular Meeting

Monday, September 24, 2012

New Fairfield Library Program Room

- Commissioners Present:** Ms. Cynthia Ross-Zweig, Chair  
Mr. Mike Daood, Vice Chair  
Ms. Lisa Deldin
- Commissioners Absent:** Mr. Paul Bruno  
Mr. Robert Murtha
- Alternates Present:** Mr. Peter Greco  
Ms. Kirsten Bennett-O'Rourke
- Alternates Absent:** None
- Guests Present:** Ms. Maureen Salerno, Commission on the Aging Chairman  
Ms. Linda Decker, New Fairfield Housing Trust  
Mr. Tom Dube Sr. New Fairfield Housing Trust  
Mr. Tom Dube Jr. New Fairfield Housing Trust
- Town Officials Present:** None
- Call to Order:** 7:36 pm

### Pledge of Allegiance

### Elevation of Alternates

Mike Daood made a motion to elevate Peter Greco and Kirsten Bennett-O'Rourke to full members for the purpose of tonight's meeting. Lisa Deldin seconded the motion.

**Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion approved)**

### Approval of Minutes

August 20, 2012- Lisa Deldin made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 20, 2012 meeting as presented. Peter Greco seconded the motion.

**Vote: 4-0-1 (Motion approved- Mike Daood abstained)**

**Correspondence and Announcements**- None

**Public Comment**- None

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Discussion of POCD Consultant**

Chairman Cynthia Ross-Zweig noted that she and Peter Greco along with First Selectman John Hodge and Purchasing Agent Patty Mota met with the consultant from Milone and MacBroom to discuss the Plan of Conservation and Development. Contracts for consultant work with Milone and MacBroom have been received and sent to Town Counsel for review.

The commission spoke of the scope of the contract and noted that the chairman went over maps and new state statutes. The tentative contract amount for consultant services is \$43,000 and it was noted that the consultant will take care of mailings and the price will include postage. It is hopeful that consultant work will start this fall.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Commission on the Aging**

Chairman of the Commission on the Aging Maureen Salerno spoke of a Community Forum that was recently held to try to get affordable Senior Housing in New Fairfield. This would consist of five to six units of elderly affordable rentals. A parcel of approximately five acres is needed for this project. A group of concerned citizens have formed a group called New Fairfield Housing Trust to look into this option further. There was a discussion of a possible location for Senior Housing off of Rita Drive behind schools and near the cell tower. Vice Chairman Mike Daood noted that the Planning Commission would not be the final vote on this but could make recommendations based on the Plan of Conservation and Development. Mike Daood suggested that the Commission on the Aging speak with the BOS and the Town Engineer. Linda Decker from the New Fairfield Housing Trust asked about the process for implementing this plan. Tom Dube asked questions regarding the possibility of Senior Housing. There was a brief discussion of Zoning regulations in regard to Senior Housing.

**Adjournment** – Kirsten Bennett-O'Rourke made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10pm. Lisa Deldin seconded the motion.

**Vote 4-0-0 (Motion approved)**

**(Mike Daood left at 8:00pm and did not vote on this motion)**