



The Planning Commission

Town of New Fairfield

New Fairfield, Connecticut 06812

Regular Meeting
Monday, November 22, 2010
Town Hall Conference Room

MINUTES

Commissioners Present: Mike Daood, Chair, Greg Porpora, Vice-Chair,
Paul Bruno, Bob Murtha, Cynthia Ross-Zweig

Commissioners Absent: None

Alternates Present: None

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Call to Order: 7:33 pm

Approval of Minutes

The May 24, 2010 minutes could not be approved and will be added to next month's agenda.

Mike Daood made a motion to approve the July 26, 2010 Minutes as drafted. Seconded by Cynthia Ross-Zweig. Vote 3-0-2.

Mike Daood made a motion to approve the October 25, 2010 Minutes as drafted. Seconded by Bob Murtha. Vote 4-0-1.

Correspondence/Announcements - Mike Daood read a letter into the record from Mr. and Mrs. Matthew J. Carlucci regarding the Health and Safety concerns related to the Meeting House Hill School Construction Project. A brief discussion ensued about if the concerns raised had direct relevance to the scope of the responsibility of the Commission.

Public Comment – None

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

8-3a Referral - 132 Rte. 37 – Change from Zone Residential R-88 to ND - Neighborhood Business District – Kevin J. Hart, Applicant; Peter Young, Agent – present. Mike Daood presented a referral request from Planning regarding a zoning change from R-88 to NBD zone. Mr. Peter Young, as agent for Mr. Kevin Hart, applicant, presented the details of the application and presented the board with maps and photos related to the subject parcel. Following appropriate discussion related to the surrounding parcels and the potential impact of expanding the NBD zone, Mike Daood made a motion to make a positive referral. Bob Murtha seconded. Vote 5-0.

STANDING ITEMS

Discussion on the Plan of Conservation and Development for 2014

Following significant discussion of the process needed assure timely completion of the Plan of Conservation and Development, the Commission determined the most appropriate immediate course of action is to solicit consultant interest through an RFI process. Robert Murtha and Cynthia Ross-Zweig volunteered to lead the ongoing process as Co-Chairs. They will work together to organize the process and propose to the Commission various aspects of the process during future meetings. The 2014 Plan will be an ongoing agenda item beginning in January, 2011.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Open Alternate Position

Mike Daood advised the Commission that the open alternate position could not be filled with a Republican candidate. The Commission briefly discussed some of the characteristics most desired in candidates and all members will attempt to find suitable candidates.

Calendar for 2011 with Deadlines

Mike Daood presented to the commission the 2011 Calendar with Deadlines. Bob Murtha made a motion to accept this calendar as presented. Seconded by Greg Porpora. Vote 5-0.

The Planning Commission 2011 Calendar was reviewed by the commission with some corrections to be made. Mike Daood made a motion to change October 7, 2011 deadline to October 11, 2011 deadline, November 21, 2011 meeting date to November 28, 2011 meeting date, and November 7, 2011 deadline to November 14, 2011 deadline. Seconded by Bob Murtha. Vote 5-0.

Adjourn

Mike Daood made a motion to adjourn at 8:43 pm. 2nd by Paul Bruno. Vote 5-0.