

Town of New Fairfield Planning Commission 4 Brush Hill Road New Fairfield, CT 06812

MINUTES Monday, March 28, 2022, at 7:30 p.m.

Community Room @ 33 Route 37

Members Present: Cory Neumann (Vice-Chair), Kirsten Bennett, Ernie Lehman, Jeff Morrell, Olivia Micca (Alternate), Dylan White (Alternate)

Members absent: Cynthia Ross-Zweig (Chair), Patrick Callahan (Alternate)

Others Present: New Fairfield ZEO – Evan White

Call to order Cory Neumann called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Appointments

Jeff Morrell made a motion to elevate Dylan White. Kirsten Bennett seconded the motion. **Vote: 4-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Jeff Morrell made a motion to amend the agenda and remove 8. Executive Session due to Neil Marcus' absence. Dylan White seconded the motion. **Vote: 5-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Jeff Morrell made a motion to amend the agenda and add 8. Future of Consolidated School Discussion. Ernie Lehman seconded the motion. **Vote: 5-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Correspondence and Announcements

Cory Neumann stated that the POCD project went out to bid. The commission received one bid from SLR on March 16th. Members discussed the deadline for the bids as being the end of April. Cory Neumann noted a letter received on December 29th. Members noted there was a discussion about the letter in the January meeting. Cory commented that Neil Marcus and Pat DelMonaco were preparing a response to Hearth Home Builders.

Public Comment

New Business

Warren's Hill Subdivision, Saw Mill Rd – Bond Release – Cory Neumann read a letter from town engineer, Tony Iadarola, dated January 31st. The letter recommended the bond release of \$209,000.00.

PC Minutes 1/24//2022 Regular Meeting Page 1 of 2 Kirsten Bennett made a motion to recommend a positive referral to release Warren's Hill Subdivision bond in the amount of \$209,000.00 and replace it with a maintenance bond for \$20,000.00. Ernie Lehman seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0-0 (Motion approved)

Future of Consolidated School discussion

Members discussed the future of Consolidated School and what role the planning commission could play in the development of the site. Jeff Morrell stated the EDC would be doing a sewer study to attract more business to town. Members discussed if the addition, completed in 2003, would be salvageable. Jeff Morrell stated he would like to see something given back to the community like a recreation center or new offices for town officials. Members agreed to attend the next PBC meeting on April 12th.

Old Business

Standing Items

- Lighting Study Jeff Morrell displayed the lighting study drawings. Jeff Morrel stated the public works budget got cut in half.
- Subdivision Update Cory and Kirsten stated there is nothing new to share.

Approval of Minutes

Cory Neumann made a motion to approve the 1/24/22 regular meeting minutes. Jeff Morrell seconded the motion. **Vote: 4-0-1 (Motion approved, Kirsten Bennett abstained)**

Adjournment

Cory Neumann made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 pm. Dylan White seconded the motion. **Vote: 5-0-0 (Motion approved)**

Received by email on 05/16/2022 @ 8:30 a.m. by Chrystie M. Bontempo, Asst. Town Clerk, New Fairfield