

**TOWN OF POMFRET
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2012 AT 7:00 PM
POMFRET SENIOR CENTER**

In Attendance: Commission Members Walter Hinchman, Phil Allegretti, Richard DiBonaventura, Eric Pohlman, Beverly Champany, Alternates Kimberly Bergendahl and Christopher Burke; Staff - Ryan Brais, ZEO and James Rabbitt, Town Planner. Absent: Commission Members Ted Tsanjoures, Martha Paquette, and Alternate Antonio Amaral.

Walter Hinchman opened the meeting at 7 pm and said he would like to seat C. Burke for T. Tsanjoures. R. DiBonaventura made a motion to do so. It was seconded by B. Champany and approved unanimously.

I. Regular Meeting –

A. Current Business

1. Items to add to the agenda – need to set effective date for the text amendment to the Planning & Zoning regulations that was approved at the September 24, 2012 meeting. R. DiBonaventura said he'd like to add that Ellsworth Chase from the AG Commission would like to speak regarding some input to the P&Z POCD. These items were placed under commission business in the agenda.
2. Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting of September 24, 2012 – B. Champany made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. P. Allegretti seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

B. Pending Application(s) – none

II. New Business

A. Acceptance of New Application(s) – none

B. Citizen's Comments – None

C. Correspondence –W. Hinchman told the commission about the letter received regarding a Notice of Deficiency sent to CL&P regarding an application they submitted to DEEP for a Stream Channel Encroachment Line Permit. He said the deficiency has 31 points to cover to clear the deficiency. He also informed the commission of a copy of a letter sent to the CT Siting Council from AT&T regarding a Notice of Exempt Modification – Existing AT&T Tower Facility at 62 Babbitt Hill Road, Pomfret, CT

1. ZEO Report – no new permits/complaints this month
2. Complaints (existing):
 - a. Barry Peloquin, 59 Longmeadow Drive
Commercial equipment on a residential property (bucket truck, chipper, mason dump). Ryan is continuing to gather information regarding this item and will report back to the commission on this next month.
 - b. Joseph & Valerie Alessandro, 77 Hamlet Hill
Clearing with exposed topsoil on a hillside. After removal of the vegetation (invasives) on the hillside, the property was loamed and seeded. It is now stable and there are no further issues.

III. Commission Business

A. Citizen's Comments – None

B. Ellsworth Chase from the AG Commission would like to speak regarding some input to the P&Z POCD. Mr. Chase spoke to the commission regarding the newly formed Agricultural Commission and about how the role that agriculture has a good fit in the community. He said they were aware that the P&Z would be updating their POCD and the AG Commission has done some work on information that could be used in the P&Z update. He then submitted a seven page document to the commission members for review. The commission members will read this documentation and this item will be on the agenda for the November meeting. Mr.

- Chase said that he and/or others from the AG Commission would gladly come in and answer any questions the commission members may have regarding the documentation he submitted.
- C. Need to set effective date for the text amendment to the P&Z Regulations that was approved on 9/24/12. After discussion, Jamie said a new legal notice should be published on 10/31/12 with an effective date to be 11/1/12. A motion was made by P. Allegretti that the text amendment becomes effective 11/1/12. R. DiBonaventura seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

At this point, J. Rabbitt mentioned that he had received an e-mail from Atty. Mark Brantz regarding a seminar to be held on 3/16/13 @ Wesleyan. It will be an all-day workshop regarding the latest updates on rules, responsibilities, variances, special permits, etc. The only bad part is that it is held on a Saturday, but it is very informational. Jamie will forward the e-mail he received to everyone.

IV. Adjournment

Bev Champany made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by R. DiBonaventura and approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn L. Krajewski, Clerk

Date approved_____