

BOARD AND COMMISSION SUMMARY

JULY, 2016

Arts & Culture Commission

The Arts & Culture Commission met on July 21st at the Joseph N. Goff House. One of the \$500 grants was awarded to Blackledge Music which is planning a musical event at the East Hampton Public Library. The commission's town liaison Sue Berescik said she will be meeting with the finance director to explain our web site plan. The commission has selected a painting by local artist Betsy Rich for the Art Purchase Award, which will be hung in the Youth & Family Services Department offices. The Artist's Studio will be held on October 29th.

Board of Finance

The Board of Finance held a regular meeting on July 18th. Mr. Lambert was elected as Vice Chairman. Liaison reports/discussions occurred.

Brownfields Redevelopment Agency

The Brownfields Redevelopment Agency held their regular meeting on July 25th. The bids for 13 Watrous St (STEAP Grant) were going to be due on July 29. Carla Sylvester was re-elected as Chairperson and Scott Bristol was elected as Vice Chair.

Charter Revision Commission

The Charter Revision Commission held a meeting on July 20th. Discussion occurred related to the section of the Charter regarding the allowance of the Town Manager to attend and participate in all Council meetings and discussions. Language recommendations were approved for the section of the Charter that allow for bifurcation of the budget. Slight grammatical changes to previously revised sections were also approved.

Clean Energy Task Force

No meeting

Commission on Aging

The Commission on Aging met on July 14th at the Senior Center. They met with Emergency Management Director Rich Klotzbier and Chatham Health representative Bill Kramer regarding the Everbridge system and what the commission can do to help sign people up for the system. There will be another Round Table Meeting with surrounding towns on September 19th at the East Haddam Senior Center.

Conservation-Lake Commission

The Conservation Lake Commission held their regular meeting on July 14th. They approved the application of a 2 lot subdivision at 152 Chestnut Hill Rd. The Commission formally accepted the 9 point plan, with conditional grammatical changes to some areas. Peter Zawisza and Joe Carbonnell were re-elected as Chairperson and Vice Chairperson.

Design Review Board

No meeting

Economic Development Commission

The Economic Development Commission held their regular meeting on July 19th. New member, Kate Adams, was introduced. Po's will be the next Belltown Spotlight on Business. Discussion occurred on possible and definite business growth in town. Mr. Maniscalco apprised the Commission of upcoming items, such as roadwork, that may affect businesses in town.

Ethics Commission

No meeting

Fire Commission

The Board of Fire Commissioners held their regular meeting on July 11th. Discussion occurred on work at the fire houses. The change-over to Glastonbury dispatch took place on July 1, 2016; Chief Voelker discussed this and also the probable need for a console at Company #1 in case of self-dispatch needs (for a storm situation, internal messages, or if Glastonbury experiences issues). A special meeting was held on July 26th in which concrete work at Company #1 was approved.

High School Building Committee

The High School Building Committee held their regular meeting on July 21st. It was reported that they are still on schedule and things are going well. Discussion occurred on possible signage to be attached to the school or the wall in front of the school, a mock-up will be presented to the committee soon. There was discovery of weep holes in the brick that had previously been covered by a roof replacement years ago, possible solutions were discussed. The quarterly report to the Town Council was approved.

Inland Wetland Watercourses Agency

The Inlands Wetlands and Waterways Agency held their regular meeting on July 27th. They approved a garage construction at 85 Midwood Farm Road, with conditions, and a 2-lot subdivision at 152 Chestnut Hill Rd.

Joint Facilities

The Meeting of the Town of Colchester – Town of East Hampton Joint Facilities Committee was held at the Colchester - East Hampton Waste Water Treatment Plant Meeting Room on Tuesday July 19, 2016 at 5:00 P.M. The Rotary Drum Thickener project was discussed as well as a new cellular alarm system on the Princess Pocotopaug pump station.

Middle Haddam Historic District Commission

The Middle Haddam Historic District Commission met on July 28th. A public hearing was held for Application #505 for a COA at 52 Middle Haddam Rd to replace cedar shingles and install finials on both steeples for the Second Congregational Church of

Middle Haddam. Bob Marshall (member & trustee of the church) presented to the board – application was approved unanimously. A new alternate member, Hannah Monahan, was welcomed by the board members.

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

Parks & Recreation Director Jeremy Hall made a presentation about the options for the Seamster Park Playground Project. Members of the public made comments and suggestions about the project. Jeremy handed out detailed descriptions of each of the options to everyone. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board will meet again on August 2 to discuss the project. Members of the public were invited to attend the meeting.

Planning & Zoning Commission

The Planning & Zoning Commission held a regular meeting on July 6th. The application of Stephen Acerbo for 000 rear Old Young St. was continued due to continuing questions on the improvement of the road(s) in the area.

Water Development Task Force

No meeting

Water Pollution Control Authority

No meeting

Zoning Board of Appeals

The Zoning Board of Appeals held a special meeting on July 11th. The application for James Gworek, 43 Wangonk Trail was approved for a variance to reduce the side yard setback from 15' to 7'6" to construct a deck. Mr. Nichols was re-elected as Chairman and Mr. Wall was elected as alternate Chair.