

BOARD AND COMMISSION SUMMARY

APRIL 2019

Arts & Culture Commission

Members of the East Hampton Arts & Culture Commission met April 18 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Joseph N. Goff House Museum. A commissioner suggested to use EHACC budget funds in the coming year for extra publicity for area events on social media. Guidelines on what type of events and which town organizations would be needed.

Commissioners met and heard presentations from individuals regarding five grant proposal submissions to the EHACC Grant initiative. Members voted on and selected proposals submitted by Stacey Gibson and Janet Hoffhine.

Board of Finance

The Board of Finance met 3 times in the month of April. Two Special Budget Meetings occurred on April 2nd and April 11th, as well as, the regular meeting which took place on April 15th.

- April 2nd – Budget Deliberation
- April 11th Budget Deliberation and votes resulting in a recommended FY19-20 Budget.
- April 15th – With limited members in attendance, no items in need of being hi-lighted were discussed and/or voted on.

Brownfields Redevelopment Agency

The Brownfields Redevelopment Agency met on April 22, 2019. The members discussed updates on the topics for the DECD STEAP Grant project, the Main Street ELUR, and the SEH update.

Clean Energy Task Force

No meeting

Commission on Aging

The Commission on Aging met on April 11th. Ms. Ewing provided an overview on the ongoing programs and activities. Reusable bags and a flyer for the Thriving in Place workshops will be handed out at the Lions Club Health Fair on Saturday, April 13th. The Advocacy Group met with Representative Irene Haines. The Ice Cream Social will be held on May 30th at 2:30pm at the Senior Center.

Conservation-Lake Commission

The Conservation Lake Commission met on April 11th. Mr. Jenks presented his plan review to the members and answered any questions from the members. They couldn't vote on the plan since there weren't enough members to vote. The second plan was reviewed and voted on. There were no updates for the watershed projects, the sub-committee on education, or the lake smart program. The members briefly discussed the advisory panel meeting that took place on April 1st and the discussion of the lake level. During the new business section; Mr. Jenks announced that he was looking into running for a position on the Board of

Finance instead of the Town Council. He stated that he hopes he has the support of the committee.

Design Review Board

No meeting

Economic Development Commission

The Economic Development Commission met for a special meeting on April 29th. The members were presented with a tax incentive plan for KOCO in their new location. The representative for KOCO was Wayne Rand of West High LLC. He is the contractor and in charge of building the new facility for KOCO. The members approved of the plan.

Ethics Commission

No meeting

Fire Commission

The Fire Commission met on April 8th. The members tabled the Presentation ACG Associates 2018 Awards since the presenter was not in attendance. The members approved of a few payouts from the budget lines 5633 and 5438. The Fire Marshal and Fire Chief gave their reports. There was a request for a payout by the widow of a firefighter. The commissioner members received an update about the visit by Mark from GDW about the dry hydrants in the area. There were updates for the new Engine 2-12 and an update on the capital budget.

High School Building Committee

No meeting

Inland Wetland Watercourses Agency

The Inland Wetland Watercourses Agency met on April 24th.

Agent Approvals:

- A. Application IW-19-013, DW Excavation, LLC., 40 Old Middletown Ave., to excavate to repair the septic system within the Upland Review Area. Map 01C/Block 3A/Lot 1.
- B. Application IW-19-016, William O'Brien, 23 Young St., to construct a 12' x 20' deck within the Upland Review Area.
- C. Application IW-19-017, DW Excavation, LLC, 111 Main St. to install an approximately 70 linear foot curtain drain in an upland review area, Map 06A/Block 57/ Lot 4

Continued Applications:

- A. Application IW-19-011, Alison Richard, 22 Knowles Rd., to construct a new single-family home within Upland Review Area. Map 02C/Block 19A/Lot 6. Approved with conditions (5-0)

New Applications:

- A. Application IW-19-012, Wesley Jenks, 45 Meeks Pt. Rd., to excavate the foundation to provide waterproofing and to repair existing I-beam within the Upland Review Area. Map 10A/Block 83/Lot 9. Continued to 5/29/2019 meeting. (5-0)
- B. Application IW-19-015, Town of East Hampton, Old Marlborough Drainage Project O'Neill Lane Site, Map10A/Block 83/Lot 26-7 . Continued to 5/29/2019 meeting. (5-0)

Joint Facilities

No meeting

Library Advisory Board

No meeting

Middle Haddam Historic District Commission

The Middle Haddam Historic District Commission met on April 25, 2019. The members were presented with the plans to build a new home for a certificate of appropriateness at 22 Knowles Road to build a new 4,865 GSF house to replace the original house which was destroyed in a fire on February 2, 2018 for applicant Alison F. Richard. The plans for the house were presented to the members by Agatha from Centerbrook Architecture. The members approved of the plans and the certificate for the applicant. The members elected and voted for officers for the commission. The members mentioned that the commission needs one or two more members to be at full membership.

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

At the April Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting the board discussed the upcoming Seamster Park Playground build and the role the board and volunteers will play in the process. Jeremy Hall presented the board with a proposed plan revision to the Sears Park master plan, everyone was given a copy. This will be re-visited at future meetings. Shawn Mullen gave a report on the status of programming and the upcoming summer schedule.

Planning & Zoning Commission

The Planning & Zoning Commission met on April 3rd.

Public Hearings for April 3, 2019:

- A. PZC-19-003: Sheila Mullen, 91 Main St., for a Special Permit to sell alcohol as an accessory to a used book/record shop. Map 06A/Block 60/Lot 3.
Approved with conditions (7-0)
- B. PZC-19-004: Theater Square, LLC., 11 North Main St., for a Special Permit for a frozen yogurt shop. Map 01A/Block 39A/Lot 28A
Approved with conditions (7-0)

Old Business:

- A. Updates to Sec. 3.5 Lake Pocotopaug Protection Zone – Continued (7-0)
- B. Amendments to Regulation requiring Public Hearing for new Commercial construction. Continued (7-0)

Town Facilities Building Committee

The Town Facilities Building Committee met on April 4th. The members were given an update from the architect, construction manager, and operating project manager's areas for the project. The members discussed making a document for the change orders to show the affects the change orders have on the budget. This document will be like the one for the budget for the project. The members approved of three invoices. There was a brief discussion about the topping off ceremony.

Water Pollution Control Authority

The Water Pollution Control Authority Committee held their regular meeting on Tuesday April 2nd. The WPCA committee approved the recommended operating expense budget for 19/20 fiscal year. Expense Budget of \$1,661,081.34 reflects a proposed increase in expenses of \$217,308.22 or 13.08% over last year. Proposed revenue budget included the increase of sewer use fees to \$455.00 and grinder pumps fees to \$150.00. Sewer use fee discussion included the increase of 25% for the 19/20 FY with a possible tiered reduction going forward. Approval of Sewer Rates to be determined at a public hearing in September.

Mr. Smith presented the proposed 2019/20 Water Budget for review. Any changes or correction will be made at the May 7, 2019 meeting prior to sending to Town Council for consideration.

Zoning Board of Appeals

The Zoning Board of Appeals met on April 8th.

Application ZBA-19-003, Jon and Cheryl Beaulieu, 47 Highland Terrace, for a variance to increase the lot coverage to install an in-ground pool and associated patio. Map18/Block 44/Lot 18-25 - Approved