

BOARD AND COMMISSION SUMMARY

JULY 2021

Arts & Culture Commission

No meeting

Board of Finance

No meeting

Brownfields Redevelopment Agency

The Brownfields Redevelopment Agency met on July 26. Brian Corvo was re-elected Chairperson. The members received a report from the Town Manager. The members discussed the updates for 1 Watrous and 13 Watrous. Chairperson Corvo updated the members on his presentation to the EDC at their recent meeting. The members briefly discussed steps for going into their next project and going about gaining another grant.

Clean Energy Task Force

The Clean Energy Task Force met on July 6. The members discussed and made some decisions for the car show event being held on September 25, with a rain date of September 26. There are a couple places in town the car show could be held, but the members thought the High School would be best to hold the car show. The members also discussed home energy solutions, solar canopies, heat pumps, and income eligible programs to bring into the community. This could spread the awareness of clean energy and home energy solutions and bring programs to town. The members want to bring some energy solutions and programs to town but may need Town Council approval before any can be set up or initialized.

Commission on Aging

The Commission on Aging met on July 8 at the Senior Center. Ms. Ewing reported that travel programs are up and running. The Senior Center is applying for a 5310-transportation grant for a van. The Senior Center is participating in the Old Home Days Reverse Parade. They also discussed their survey.

The Commission on Aging held a special meeting on July 15 to finalize the survey that will be presented to the Town Council on July 27.

Conservation-Lake Commission

The Conservation-Lake Commission met on July 8. The members reviewed and discussed two plan reviews with motions to obtain narratives for the scope of work for each project. The members received an update on the Watershed projects and federal funding. The 319 grant projects are in the contract phase with DEEP. The members discussed the sub-committee report on education, the advisory panel, the Lake Smart program, and the lake level. The members want to invite Tom Wells to next month's meeting.

Design Review Board

No meeting

Economic Development Commission

The Economic Development Commission met on July 20. The Chairman of the Brownfields Redevelopment Agency, Brian Corvo, joined the meeting to present to the commission members about the Brownfields Agency. The members discussed the signs promoting the Village Center, the tourism pamphlet/ brochure, the final draft of the commission mission statement, the business mixer event, the Bells on the Bridge project, the recent Planning and Zoning meeting minutes and motions, the home-based business regulations workshop, the new business banner, and the Business of the Month. The members received a brief report from the Town Manager about the new Land Use department intern and the project he is working on for the Village Center. The Town Manager also mentioned that Hallmark was filming at the Black Walnut Bakery in the Village Center.

Ethics Commission

No meeting

Fire Commission

The Fire Commission met on July 12. The Fire Marshal and Fire Chief gave an account of their reports to the members. The members discussed the new tankers on order and the events and calls that came in on 7/6 when the severe thunderstorm passed through. A tanker rolled backwards into a ladder truck because it wasn't properly stabilized.

Inland Wetland Watercourses Agency

The Inland Wetland Watercourses Agency met on July 28.

Agent Approvals:

- A. IW-21-013: Dream Developers, 1 West Street, Demolish existing two-story deck and construct a two-story addition in its place with foundation in the Upland Review Area. Map 03A/ Block 44/ Lot 59

Continued Applications:

- A. IW-21-014: Rocco Nozzolini, Construct 572 sq.ft. garage in the Upland Review Area. Map 36/ Block 96/ Lot L-3. Approved (5-0)
- B. IW-21-015: Brookhaven Park, Inc, Reclamation of approximately 495 square feet of beach sand from Lake Pocotopaug to restore beach area. Brookhaven Beach, Park Road. Map 10A/ Block 82/ Lot 26A. Approved (5-0)
- C. IW-21-016: East Hampton WPCA. Replacement of Sewer Force Main Between Pine Trail and Poe Road on four properties along Lake Pocotopaug Shoreline in Upland Review Area. Approved (5-0)

New Applications:

- A. IW-21-017: Martin Scovill, 117 Colchester Ave., 3 Lot Subdivision with wetlands on the north side of property. Map 27/Block 87A/Lot 12A-4. Continued (5-0)
- B. IW-21-019: Donald, Nancy, Robert and Sue Briere, 91-93 Lake Dr. and Lake Dr. 03A/70A/58, 2 lot subdivision in the Upland Review Area Map 25/Block 64/Lot 56 and 4 lot subdivision for non-buildable lots at Lake Drive Map 03A/Block 70A/Lot 58 within the Upland Review Area. Continued (5-0)

Joint Facilities

The Colchester –East Hampton Joint Facilities Board met in person and via Zoom on July 20. The Town is in negotiations with Eversource to relocate the power line on the upper section of the Airline trail above the Plant. An energy audit was completed for the Plant. New energy upgrades will include interior and exterior LED lighting in two buildings and parking lot lights. The Plants (3 flat roof buildings) roofing project has been completed. Colchester reported that the bids for the Force Main repair were opened on July 16th and are making progress on controlling the odor coming into the Village Center.

Library Advisory Board

The Library Advisory Board met on July 12 at the Library. Board members received an update on the library space planning project. Ms. Paul informed the Board that the CT State Library has approved the Library's application for ARPA funding. The Library will use the grant monies to fund a charging station and chairs, mobile shelving in the adult reading rotunda and new wireless access points.

Middle Haddam Historic District Commission

No meeting

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

No meeting

Planning & Zoning Commission

The Planning & Zoning Commission met on July 7.

Public Hearings for June 2, 2021: (Use the "Raise Your Hand" feature to speak)

- A. Application PZC-20-024: Paula Free, 249 West High St., for a special permit per Sec. 8.4 Motor Fuel Filling Station with a proposed convenience store in the Commercial Zone, Section 5.2. Map 06/Block 12/Lot 1B. Continued (7-0)
- B. Updates to East Hampton Zoning Map – Approved (7-0)

New Business:

- A. Application PZC-21-013: Connecticut Water Company, 204 Edgewater Circle, Site Plan Review for the Construction of a water treatment facility and associated site improvements. Map 10A/Block 85/ Lot 15. Approved (7-0)

Town Facility Building Committee

The Town Facility Building Committee met on July 22. Ms. Motto gave a brief update for the Architect/Construction Manager/OPM and the financial side of the project. Two remaining Newfield invoices were approved by the members. The members then made a motion to declare the project complete and to accept it on behalf of the Town of East Hampton.

Water Pollution Control Authority

No meeting

Zoning Board of Appeals

No meeting