

BOARD AND COMMISSION SUMMARY MAY 2020

Arts & Culture Commission

The Arts & Culture Commission met via Zoom on May 21, 2020. The Commission discussed their budget for this year and next year. The Commission has distributed two of their three grants. There will be no student art awards this year as schools are closed. The Annual Art Show has been cancelled so there will be no Art Purchase Award this year. The Yarn Bomb installation will start on June 1st. At this time the Goff House Concert Series is still planned to be held.

Board of Finance

The Board of Finance met on May 4, 2020 via Zoom. The Board discussed and approved the Town and Board of Education budgets that were forwarded on to the Town Council.

The Board of Finance met on May 18, 2020 via Zoom. Mr. Jylkka explained that the committee will need to appoint an auditor for FY 2020. He advised that PFK O'Connor Davies performed the FY 2019 audit through state contract and would like them to perform the FY 2020 audit. Their fee will increase by \$775. Mr. Jylkka would like to do an RFP for FY 2021. Upon a motion from Dr. Brown, seconded by Ms. Coshaw and unanimously carried, PKF O'Connor Davies will be the auditor for FY 2020.

Brownfields Redevelopment Agency

No meeting

Clean Energy Task Force

No meeting

Commission on Aging

The Commission on Aging met on May 14, 2020 via Zoom. JoAnn Ewing discussed the impact the COVID-19 is having on services and events at the Senior Center. They are still reaching out to the senior population in town, the CERT shopping program has been successful, and they are going to ask CRT to add more days to the Grab & Go lunch program. The Senior Center has also moved some programs online. Some members of the Commission will be virtually attending an "Age & Action" conference in June.

Conservation-Lake Commission

The Conservation-Lake Commission met on May 14, 2020 via Zoom. The members received updates and a timeline for the new aeration system being installed in the lake. The members discussed the budget review for the commission. The watershed grant projects updates were discussed with the members. They were given a timeline for the projects and an end time for the last grant project. The members then discussed the topics under old business and brought up a few new business items. They made a motion to advise the Town Council to investigate purchasing the o Lake Wood Road property to protect the land and the town from more developments going into the town.

Design Review Board

No meeting

Economic Development Commission

The Economic Development Commission met on May 19, 2020 via Zoom. The members discussed the Business Package Promotion & Tourism. The members received no update of new businesses with Planning & Zoning approval. The new business banner location, Belltown spotlight on business, and town beautification were also discussed.

The Economic Development Commission held a special meeting on May 26, 2020 via Zoom. The members discussed the remaining part for getting the business brochure ready to send out and print. It was decided to forgo a Services category and add a Manufacturing category. They also chose to rename the Package Store category to Beer, Wine, & Spirits. There will be two printings a year for this brochure. A note will be added for people or businesses to contact the Town Hall or the EDC if they want to be listed in the next brochure. These additions can be added to the second issue before it can be printed.

Ethics Commission

No meeting

Fire Commission

The Fire Commission met on May 11, 2020 via Zoom. The members discussed the topics of the new Engine 2-12, the LED lighting change, the Firehouse system billing issue, and the accountability under unfinished business. The members also discussed the budget for the fiscal year. They were updated on the possible amount for each account for the budget, but they wanted to get the solid amount for the budget from the finance department. The members also discussed a few projects they were hoping to have done with some extra money that was found from last year's budget. They also discussed the possibility of holding next month's meeting in person at Company 2.

Inland Wetland Watercourses Agency

The Inland Wetland Watercourses Agency met on May 27, 2020 via Zoom.

Continued Applications:

- A. IW-20-009: Peter and Sheila Engel, Markham Rd., Three lot Re-subdivision and associated driveway improvements for a common drive in the Upland Review Area. Map 35/Block 91/Lot 2-3A. Approved (7-0)

New Applications:

- A. IW-20-011: Edgewater Hill Enterprises, LLC., construction of Market Square 2 building with regulated activities in the Upland Review Area. Map 10A/Block 85/Lot 5C. Continued to 6/24/2020 meeting (7-0)
- B. IW-20-012: Edgewater Hill Enterprises, LLC., re-subdivision approval for the creation of 2 lots. Map 10A/Block 85/Lot 5C. Continued to 6/24/2020 meeting (7-0)
- C. IW-20-014: Theater Square, LLC., to install a 30" high block wall within the Upland Review Area. Map 01A/Block 39A/Lot 28A. Approved as Agent Approval unless otherwise noted by Agent (7-0)
- D. IW-20-015: Theater Square, LLC., to construct a 25' x 25' deck within the Upland

Review Area. Map 01A/Block 39A/Lot 28A. Approved as Agent Approval unless otherwise noted by Agent (7-0)

- E. IW-20-017: Kelly Foster, 29 Wangonk Trail, to construct a 8' x 26' deck on lakeside within the Upland Review Area. Map 09A/Block 70C/Lot 27. Approved as Agent Approval (7-0)
- F. IW-20-016: Town of East Hampton, Sears Park. Modification to Permit #IW-19-043. Map 04A/Block 63B/Lot 20. Modification Approved (7-0)

Joint Facilities

No meeting

Library Advisory Board

The Library Advisory Board met on May 13, 2020 via Zoom. The Board discussed the budget. The strategic plan is on hold while the Library Director is on maternity leave. The Board also discussed the services and resources the library has been providing during the facility's closure due to COVID 19. The Board voted to forgo fines during the pandemic. They reviewed a draft plan for reopening procedures to align with the Governor's Reopen CT initiative.

Middle Haddam Historic District Commission

The Middle Haddam Historic District Commission met on May 28, 2020 via Zoom. The members reviewed and discussed two applications for certificates of appropriateness. One application was for Zack and Kara Pedersen to fix and replace parts of their house and garage. And the other application was for Todd Zgorski of Cobalt Health Care for paving an employee parking lot behind the business. Both applicants were approved. The members briefly talked about two houses that were built in town. They shared their concerns on the size of the houses and the landscaping of the grounds.

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

The Parks & Recreation Advisory Board met on May 5, 2020 via Zoom. The Advisory Board discussed the COVID-19 pandemic and the impact that it is going to have on all summer programs. Also discussed was the 319 Grant and capital funds for the projects at Sears Park. Jeremy Hall also introduced Morgan Slossberg as a new hire for the Program Leader position.

Planning & Zoning Commission

The Planning & Zoning Commission met on May 6, 2020 via Zoom.

Public Hearings for May 6:

- A. Application PZC-20-001: Sports on 66, LLC., 265 West High St., for a Special Permit to sell Alcohol as an accessory use. (Sec. 8.4.B). Map 6/Block 12/Lot 20. The applicant requested an extension to the next regularly scheduled meeting on June 3, 2020. (Extension request accepted: 7-0)
- B. Application PZC-20-002: Stanislaw Oleksenko, 11 Cone Road, 4 lot subdivision of 14.766 acres parcel. Map 6/Block 36/Lot 6A. The applicant requested an extension to the next regularly scheduled meeting on June 3, 2020. (Extension request accepted 7-0)
- C. Application PZC-20-004: Lisa Sherman, 50 Main St., for a Zone Change: R-1 to PO/R. Map 02A/Block 47/Lot 25. Continued to June 3, 2020 meeting 7-0

- D. Application PZC-20-008: Town of East Hampton, Edgemere Condominium Beach Property, for a Special Permit to locate Lake Aeration Compressor, Sec. 4.1.D Map 19/Block 63B/Lot 27. Approved with conditions (7-0)
- E. Application PZC-20-009: Town of East Hampton, 60 Spellman Point Rd., for a Special Permit to locate Lake Aeration Compressor, Sec. 4.1.D Map 09A/Block 70/Lot 11. Approved with conditions (7-0)

New Business:

- A. Application PZC-19-011: Roncalli Institute, 49 Oakum Dock, for an extension to file the Special Permit and Site Plan approval that was issued on February 5, 2020 for an Assembly Hall. Map 02/Block 9A/Lot 4. Approved (7-0)
- B. Discussion: Update Sign Regulation to Include PO/R Zone Sign Standards. Continued to the next regularly scheduled meeting on June 3, 2020 (7-0)
- C. Discussion: Home Based Occupations. Continued to the next regularly scheduled meeting on June 3, 2020 (7-0)
- D. Discussion and Possible Action: Outdoor only seating at Restaurants during COVID-19 Pandemic. Resolution approved (7-0)

Old Business:

- A. Application PZC-20-003: Lisa Sherman, for an Amendment to Zoning Regulation 5.4.A PO/R Zone. Continued to the next regularly scheduled meeting on June 3, 2020 (7-0)
- B. Updates to Sec. 3.1 Lake Pocotopaug Protection Zone: Continued to the next regularly scheduled meeting on June 3, 2020 (7-0)
- C. Updates to the Official East Hampton Zoning Map: Continued to the next regularly scheduled meeting on June 3, 2020 (7-0)

Town Facility Building Committee

The Town Facility Building Committee met via Zoom on May 21, 2020. The members received updates for the architect, the construction manager, and the OPM. The last-minute items that need to be fixed are taken care of. The site is being checked each week to make sure everything is running smoothly. The members approved one change order and declined the other. The members also approved of six invoices and tabled one invoice for the next meeting. There was a brief public relations update pertaining to the article for the new building in the next Events issue.

Water Pollution Control Authority

The Water Pollution Control Authority Board held a virtual meeting on May 5th. It was reported that the Town Council approved the resolution on the .25% reduced interest rate option on delinquent revenue payments. This low interest rate program will apply to the water and sewer bills. Any bill paid during the life of the Order will receive the lower interest rate during the April 1 to July 1 2020 timeframe. The 20/21 Water Budget was agreed on and submitted to the Town Council for approval. Public hearings were set for June 2nd for the 2020/21 Water Budget and for the Sewer Use Charge Resolution Amendment for twice a year (October-April) Sewer Use billing. The Board accepted the public sewer system for Edgewater Hill Phase 1E, 1F, 1G and 10 Units of 1D. Vote 6-0

Zoning Board of Appeals

The Zoning Board of Appeals met on May 11, 2020 via Zoom.

Public Hearings:

- A. Application ZBA-20-003, Jacqueline Montanez Colon, 46 Skinner St., Location approval for an auto repair shop Sec. 5.3.C.9 Map 20/Block 48C/Lot 17A. Approved 4-0
- B. Application ZBA-20-004, David Bengston, 82 Spellman Point Rd., for a variance to decrease north side setback from 15' to 14.1', increase impervious coverage from 19.36% to 21.02% and to increase the habitable space from 1800 sq ft to 2173 sq ft for new home construction and demo of existing Sec. 4.1.E. Map 09A/Block 70/Lot 3. Approved 4-0