

## **BOARD AND COMMISSION SUMMARY MAY 2022**

### **Arts & Culture Commission**

The Arts & Culture Commission held a special meeting on May 10 to hear presentations on the two final grant applications and to choose the grant winners. They also discussed the Garden Tour/Plein Air Painting Event.

The Arts & Culture Commission held their regular meeting on May 19 at Sears Park. The Student Art Award Ceremony was held that evening. They discussed the garden tour pamphlet and discussed the grant distribution.

### **Board of Finance**

The Board of Finance met for their regular meeting on May 16. PKF O'Connor Davies was accepted as the auditor for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022 and Mr. Jylkka shared some information regarding the State Motor Vehicle Tax Cap and discussed the associated impacts and reimbursement formula.

The Board also met for a special meeting on May 23 to set the permanent mill rate (34.66) and MV property tax rate based on the state cap (32.46) for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year.

### **Brownfields Redevelopment Agency**

The Brownfields Redevelopment Agency met on May 23. The Town Manager gave updates to the agency members. The agency was approved to join the UConn TAB program and gain help from the school. The members discussed the next steps and which properties to use TAB's help. The members suggested Assessment Grants and a possible Remediation Grant for one other property. A proposal needs to be drafted with all the relevant information and cost estimates for each phase for each property for the grants and for the TAB program.

### **Clean Energy Task Force**

The Clean Energy Task Force met on May 3. The members discussed the September 2022 Electric Car Show, the Task Force vacancy, Earthlite Tech & John Greeno regarding Heat Smart programs, and the CETF website newsletter for any updates. The members will start reaching out to dealerships and car owners for the car show over the next couple of months.

### **Commission on Aging**

The Commission on Aging met on May 12. Jo Ann Ewing provided an overview of the programs and activities at the Senior Center. The members discussed the commission's webpage and their brochure for possible updates. Mr. Atherton will look into purchasing shopping bags. Council member Walck noted she will donate \$500 to the shopping bag purchase. Members also discussed the format for an upcoming ice cream social. The sub-committees for the survey discussed the best way to present their information to the Town Council.

### **Conservation-Lake Commission**

The Conservation Lake Commission met on May 12. Nick McMan from Pond and Lakes Connection attended the meeting to present to the commission members. He explained their products, the uses of their products, and provided quotes for each treatment that would be available for the lake. The members were interested in using the company for in-lake treatment. Updates for the watershed projects/ federal funding, report on education, the lake smart program, and the advisory panel were

provided for the members. The members approved of using commission funds to let Ms. Gioielle perform marketing for the commission.

### **Design Review Board**

No meeting

### **Economic Development Commission**

The Economic Development Commission met on May 17. The members discussed updates and new ideas for the Bells on the Bridge event, the draft Town Council report regarding the business incentive program application for Global 66, LLC at 265 West High Street, the Planning and Zoning approvals, motions, and minutes from their previous meeting, and the Business of the Month nominations. The members also discussed developing guidance on evaluating and scoring for the business incentive program. The members were given an update from the Town Manager from his report.

### **Fire Commission**

No meeting

### **Inland Wetlands Watercourses Agency**

The Inland Wetlands Watercourses Agency met on May 25.

Continued Applications:

- A. Application IW-21-026: William Carter, 23 Bay Road - Construct seawall along Lake Pocotopaug and regrade yard area. Map 09A/ Block 70/ Lot 23. Tabled
- B. Application IW-22-007: Carrie Sue Clausi, 124 Tartia Road – Two lot subdivision within an Upland Review Area. Map 27/ Block 54/ Lot 7. Mr. Wall made a motion to approve application IW-22-007: Carrie Sue Clausi, 124 Tartia Road – Two lot subdivision within an Upland Review Area – Map 27/ Block 54/ Lot 7 using the short form and accepting the flagged wetlands delineation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wall. Vote: 4-0

New Applications:

- A. Application IW-22-010: Cindy Walker-Gaines, 71 North Main Street – Modifications to existing permit IW-18-004. Map 04A/ Block 45/ Lot 26. Mr. Hill made a motion to approve application IW-22-010: Cindy Walker-Gaines, 71 North Main Street – Modifications to existing permit IW-18-004. Map 04A/ Block 45/ Lot 26. Vote: 4-0
- B. Application IW-22-011: Town of East Hampton, Lake Pocotopaug Watershed Stormwater Retrofit Plans at Various Locations: East High St (10A/83A/8B), Christopher Pond (04A/45/29), Christopher Brook at Edgemere Condominiums (19/45/1), Pond at Edgewater Hill (10A/85/5C), Spellman Point Drainage (09A/70A/19), Fawn Brook at Bay Road (09A/70B/4A), Sears Park (60 North Main St 04A/63B/20), and Brookhaven Beach (10A/82/26A). Mr. Hill made a motion to continue the application to the next meeting. Mr. Wall seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0.

### **Joint Facilities**

The Colchester –East Hampton Joint Facilities Board met on May 17th via Zoom. The MAPS (Middletown Ave Pump Station) RFQ meeting and tour was held on May 10. Mr. Clayton is recommending establishing a sub-committee or design review group for application review and interviews. The Colchester odor control system is up and running and has not received any recent odor complaints. Joint Facilities received the NACWA Peak Performance Platinum Service Award for 2021/22. The Board approved management's decision to replace the conduit throughout the aeration tanks. Cost not to exceed \$48,000.00.

### **Library Advisory Board**

The Library Advisory Board met on May 2 via Zoom. New Library Director Timothy Kellogg attended his first meeting and shared his background and experience. The members reviewed the Library budget that will be included in the budget referendum. The EHxtravaganza concluded at the end of April. The members discussed the return to in person meetings. The Board will hold a hybrid meeting for June. There was discussion of the CT Library Association “Passport to Libraries” program for future participation.

### **Middle Haddam Historic District Commission**

No meeting

### **Parks & Recreation Advisory Board**

The Parks & Recreation Advisory Board met on May 3. Mr. Hall has applied for the 2022 Enrichment Grant again this summer. The High School rowing program made a presentation to the board. Members heard updates from the Air Line Trail Sub-Committee, Seamster Park Playground Sub-Committee and the High School Fields Committee. Mr. Hall discussed details of a potential scholarship in the name of Jeffrey Leith.

### **Planning & Zoning Commission**

The Planning & Zoning Commission met on May 4.

Public Hearings:

- A. PZC-22-004: Saint Clements Marina, 49 Oakum Dock Road for Site Plan Modification in C Zone – Section 5.2.B. Map 02/ Block 9A/ Lot 4. The applicant withdrew the application due to procedural errors. A new application will be submitted at a later date.

New Business:

- A. PZC-22-006: James Marino, 27 Salmon Run for 2 lot Subdivision Map 35/ Block 95/ Lot 7/ 51. Kevin Kuhr made a motion to set a Public Hearing for June 1, 2022. Rowland Rux seconded the motion. Vote: 7-0
- B. PZC-22-007: Carrie Sue Clausi, 124 Tartia Road, for 2 Subdivision Map 27/ Block 54/ Lot 7. Kevin Kuhr made a motion to set a Public Hearing for June 1, 2022. Jim Sennett seconded the motion. Vote: 7-0

### **Water Pollution Control Authority**

The East Hampton WPCA Board held a Special Meeting on May 10 via Zoom. The Board recommended the 2022/23 Water Budget be presented to the Town Council on Tuesday, May 24, 2022 and scheduled the Public Hearing on June 7 for the same. Well pump #1 at Village will need to be replaced at an estimated cost between \$6K and \$7k.

### **Zoning Board of Appeals**

The Zoning Board of Appeals met on May 9 via Zoom.

Public Hearings:

- A. Application ZBA-22-002: Atlantis Marketing, 1 Colchester Ave., 5 Colchester Ave. and 157 Main St for a variance to increase lot coverage from 30.4% to 36.9% and reconstruction and expansion of legal non-conforming uses in the R-2 Zone. Map 7A/ Block 56/ Lots 22, 21, and 24. – Continue to June 13, 2022 per Applicants request. Mr. Pfaffenbach made a motion to continue Application ZBA-22-002: Atlantis Marketing, 1 Colchester Ave., 5 Colchester Ave., and 157 Main St., to the next regularly scheduled meeting June 13, 2022 as requested by applicant. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Jacobson. Vote: 4-0