

BOARD AND COMMISSION SUMMARY NOVEMBER 2019

Arts & Culture Commission

The Arts & Culture Commission met on November 21st at the Joseph N. Goff House. The 2020 meeting dates were approved. Plaques were delivered for the artwork at the Center School and Senior Center. The members discussed their membership and two vacancies. A notice went out to the Superintendent of Schools to have students notified of a grant available for Capstone projects.

Board of Finance

A Special Organizational Meeting as well as the Regular Meeting of the Board of Finance was held on November 18, 2019 at 6:30 and 7:00 pm respectively in the EHMS Library.

Special Organizational Meeting

Following the election where three (3) new members (Matthew Bennington- elected, Wes Jenks – elected and Bob Hein – appointed) and one (1) returning member (Eric Peterson) joined sitting members (Richard Brown, Alannah Coshov and Ted Turner), Chair and Vice-Chair nominations and election took place along with other organizational discussion and agreement:

Chairman – Matthew Bennington

Vice Chairman – Wes Jenks

Capital Committee – Dr. Richard Brown & Ted Turner

2020 Meeting Dates/Times – 3rd Monday of each Month at 7:00pm (unless otherwise noted)

Regular Meeting

Board members unanimously approved motions to recommend the following additional appropriations: FY2020 Additional Appropriation for Library Ceiling Tile Replacement, FY2019 Additional Appropriation for BOE STARS Program and FY2019 End of Year Budget Transfers.

Brownfields Redevelopment Agency

No meeting

Clean Energy Task Force

No meeting

Commission on Aging

The Commission on Aging met on November 14th. An update on Senior Center activities was provided. Holiday activities are underway between Thanksgiving and Christmas. The How Not To Fall and Home Health seminars had a good turnout. The Advocacy Group sponsored a successful Candidate Forum prior to the election. The Commission approved their 2020 meeting dates. The Chair spoke with Council Vice Chair Dean Markham about being involved in future interviews for Commission members.

Conservation-Lake Commission

The Conservation Lake Commission met on November 7th for a special meeting. The members discussed the feasibility of installing an aeration system in the lake. Dr. George Knocklein discussed the science aspect behind the problems within the lake. Other aspects of the lake were discussed, like the external loading from the watershed and the development happening in East Hampton. Nothing was decided, but the members seemed optimistic about further investigating every opportunity in aeration systems for the lake.

The Conservation Lake Commission met on November 14th. The members discussed the items under watershed projects/ federal funding update, old business, and approved of the 2020 meeting dates. There was open discussion between the seated public and the commission members. There was a vote to pursue and investigate an aeration system for the lake with the town and town manager.

Design Review Board

No meeting

Economic Development Commission

The East Hampton Economic Development Commission met on November 19th. The members discussed the items under the old business section, while mainly focusing on trying to finish the town guide. The new business banner will be moved to the new location and two businesses were nominated for spotlight on business for December and January. The members approved of the 2020 meeting dates and the Town Manager gave the members a report on the town.

Ethics Commission

No meeting

Fire Commission

The Board of Fire Commissioners met on November 18th. The members were informed of an outstanding invoice for the Firehouse system and quickly approved to pay. The Fire Marshal and Fire Chief both gave their reports. The members then discussed the items under the unfinished business section of the agenda.

Inland Wetland Watercourses Agency

Inland Wetland Watercourses Agency met on November 20th.

Continued Applications:

- A. IW-19-043, Town of East Hampton, 60 North Main St., construction of water quality bio-swale and parking lot modifications at Sears Park. Map 04A/Block 63B/Lot 20. Approved 4-0
- B. IW-19-046, Town of East Hampton – Culvert Replacement on Schoolhouse Lane. Approved 4-0

New Applications:

- A. IW-19-051, Town of East Hampton, South Wangonk Trail, removal of a portion of the drainage pipe and add a swale to improve the quality of the runoff entering the lake. Map 09A/Block 70C/Lot 12. Continued 4-0

- B. IW-19-052, Town of East Hampton, Skyline Dr., grading and constructing swales at Skyline Estates. Map 18/Block 44/Lot 78-OS1. Continued 4-0
- C. IW-19-053, Town of East Hampton, O'Neill La., Installation of new drainage system. Map 10A/Block 83/Lot 26-7. Continued 4-0
- D. IW-19-054, Town of East Hampton, Wangonk Trail, to improve the quality of the runoff entering the lake. Map 09A/Block 70C/Lot 48 Continued 4-0

New Business: Adoption of the 2020 Meeting Dates – Approved 4-0

Old Business:

- A. Cease and Desist – Sharon Allegra, 88 Young St. Work in the Upland Review Area and Wetlands Map 21/ Block 52/ Lot 22C
- B. 48 Pine Brook Rd. – Possible Work in Upland Review Area

Joint Facilities

The meeting of the Colchester –East Hampton Joint Facilities Committee was held on Tuesday November 19th at 5:00pm. Mr. Clayton reported that the new Superintendent has been hired for the plant. The Committee approved the purchase of a used Mitsubishi fork lift to replace the 1981 fork lift. The replacement crane truck has been ordered and should arrive in February. The Committee continued the Capital Planning discussion with a focus on the Middletown Avenue pump station (MAPS) force main.

Library Advisory Board

The Library Advisory Board met on November 4th. The Board was informed of the progress and likely start of the ceiling tile replacement project in late 2019 or early 2020. Members like the brightness of the new parking lot lights. The Board discussed requesting that the Town eliminate fines on overdue library materials. Progress is ongoing with strategic planning. The Board approved the 2020 meeting dates.

Middle Haddam Historic District Commission

No meeting

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

The Parks & Recreation Advisory Board met on November 5th. Jessica Rurka motioned to approve Glastonbury Rowing's request to use Sears Park for rowing practices. Dan Roy seconded the motion and all approved. Jeremy Hall presented the new LID update for Sears Park improvements and Dan Roy motioned to approve the plan. Sheryl Dougherty seconded the motion and all approved. Shawn Mullen gave a report on past and future programs and outlined plans for Parks and Recreation basketball.

Planning & Zoning Commission

The Planning & Zoning Commission met on November 6th.

Public Hearings:

- A. PZC-19-010: Roncalli Institute, Inc., 49 Oakum Dock, for a Zone Change from R-2 to Commercial. Map 02/Block 9A/Lot 2. PH closed. Application continued (7-0)
- B. PZC-19-011: Roncalli Institute, Inc., 49 Oakum Dock, for a Special Permit to construct an Assembly Hall in the Commercial Zone (Sec. 5.2.C). Map 02/Block 9A/Lot 2. PH closed. Application continued (7-0)

- C. PZC-19-018: American Equities, LLC., 35 West Point Road, for a Zone Change from R-1 to Commercial. Map 5A/Block 84/Lot 1. Approved with conditions (7-0)
- D. PZC-19-019: American Equities, LLC., 35 West Point Road, for a Site Plan Review for additional parking. Map 5A/Block 84/Lot 1. Approved with conditions (7-0)
- E. PZC-19-017: South Road Marlborough, LLC., 98 Middletown Ave., for a zone change from Industrial to R-4. Map 12/Block 48C/Lot 4. Denied (7-0)

New Business: Adoption of 2020 Meeting Dates – Approved (7-0)

Town Facility Building Committee

The Town Facility Building Committee met on November 7th. An update was provided for the architect, the construction manager and the OPM. Four Newfield Prime Contract Potential Change Orders were approved, and one invoice was approved. The members approved the 2020 meeting dates.

The Town Facility Building Committee met on November 21st. The members received an update from the architect, the construction manager, and the operating project manager. The members approved of one change order and one invoice. There was a brief update from the public relations sub-committee.

Water Pollution Control Authority

The Water Pollution Control Authority Committee held their regular meeting on Tuesday November 5th at 6:00pm. Mr. Clayton reported that letters were sent to all property owners abutting the Pine Trail Force Main regarding the restoration and that engineers will be on site in the next few weeks. The North Main Street generator startup is scheduled for December and bollards will be installed in lieu of a fence. Two carbon filters will be installed at Memorial School water pump station. Cost will be approx. \$18K. The sewers and roads are completed at Skyline Drive Phase II and III and Edgewater Hill “The Neighborhood” has started laying the sewer pipe in the roads. Capital Planning continues emphasizing on WPCA & Joint Facilities major capital items at the current year, the projected year, a 1-5yr. and a 5-10yr as well as the range of the projected cost to provide a justification to the rate payers.

Zoning Board of Appeals

The Zoning Board of Appeals met on November 18th.

Public Hearings:

- A. Application ZBA-19-011, Keith LaBar, Jr. for Delia Sienna, 16 Hawthorne Rd., for a variance to reduce the side setback from 15’ to 8’ and reduce the front setback from 25’ to 8’ to construct a 12’ x 15’ carport over existing driveway. Map 10A/Block 81/Lot 6A. Approved with conditions 5-0
- B. Application ZBA-19-013, Paul Catalano, 49 Bay Rd., for a variance to reduce the side setback from 15’ to 12’ 11” to build a single-family home on existing footprint with a 24’ x 13’4” addition. Map 9A/Block 70/Lot 33. Approved 5-0

New Business: Adoption of 2020 Meeting Dates – Approved 5-0