

BOARD AND COMMISSION SUMMARY FEBRUARY, 2016

Arts & Culture Commission

The East Hampton Arts & Culture Commission met on February 18th. Two grants are available for \$500 each, and may be applied for by the public as long as the program or initiative that the applying individual or organization is offering benefits the community. The recipient will be required to present a report to update the commission on the progress of the program and if the funds were used appropriately. Open Studio 2016 is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, November 5th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with an exhibit space available for East Hampton artists who don't want or don't have studios to open to the public. The commission's budget is \$2500 and proposed projects include the annual art purchase award and an award to the artist, student awards, grants and open studio. With the appointment of Phyllis Martin, the commission now has one vacancy. The commission agreed to invite Wade Russo from the Goodspeed Opera House to give a free, public presentation of this year's performance of Bye Bye Birdie. The commission is considering creating an East Hampton Arts & Culture web site, where events, photos and arts and culture related announcements could be posted.

Board of Finance

The February Special Meeting of the Board of Finance was held on Tuesday, February 16, 2016. Discussion focused around editing the Citizen's Guide to the Budget in order to send to press.

Brownfields Redevelopment Agency

The Brownfields Redevelopment Agency held their regular meeting on February 22nd. They are still on track for the DECD STEAP grant process. A market assessment presentation was created that will be forwarded to P&Z. Also discussed was record storage/website availability of final reports which is still being worked on.

Capital Committee

The Capital Committee held a meeting on February 25th. A Public Works fund was reclassified in order to give that department more flexibility in spending. The Capital Improvement Plan was reviewed and discussed line by line. The next meeting is set for March 9.

Clean Energy Task Force

No meeting

Commission on Aging

No meeting

Conservation-Lake Commission

The Conservation-Lake Commission held their regular meeting on February 11th. Plans were reviewed and approved for routine timber harvest on Tartia Rd. Northeast Aquatics reported that they are researching storm water runoff drainage/catch basins and updating old watershed phosphorous loading models with current information. The Commission plans to ask for \$100,000 in capital to correct shortfalls identified in the 9-point plan.

Design Review Board

No meeting

Economic Development Commission

The Economic Development Commission held their regular meeting on February 16th. AirLine Cycles, a new business in town, was presented by the owner. The Commission decided to hold off on presenting the revised survey to the Town Council. The first Belltown Spotlight on Business will occur, presenting Lakeside Designs with the first month's designation.

Ethics Commission

No meeting

Fire Commission

The Board of Fire Commissioners held their regular meeting on February 8th. They voted to purchase replacement personal protective gear. Repairs to the Fire Department facilities were discussed as well as a possible capital budget for this purpose. A walkthrough will be scheduled of the facilities in March. The 2015 tax abatement and awards program information was voted on. Hydrants in town that need repair were discussed.

High School Building Committee

The High School Building Committee held their regular meeting on February 18th. Construction updates were given from the Project Manager, Downes Construction and SLAM Architects. Change orders and invoices were reviewed and approved. The quarterly report was approved. There was a move planned for 2/29; the 20's wing will be occupied at that time. The Communications sub-committee conducted a public open house that was well-received. Everyone thanked Ms. Abraham for her continued hard work publicizing the project. In addition to this meeting, a special meeting occurred on February 29th to approve the purchase of the new phone system for the high school

Inland Wetland Watercourses Agency

At the February 24th IWWA meeting, the Agency:

- Approved the application of Charles E. Yenknner, 65 Spellman Point Road, Activity in the Upland Review Area to Demolish Existing Structure and Rebuild New Single Family Home

- Deemed the applications of Andrew Clark for Eric Peterson & Laura Engel, 210 Tartia Road, John Redfield, 000 Tartia Road, and Tom & Carrie Clausi, 124 Tartia Road, for a routine maintenance timber harvests to be as-of-right activity
- Accepted and continued to the next regularly scheduled meeting the application of Clark Hill Estates LLC, 000 Clark Hill Road, for a new residential development of single family Lots(4)
- Discussed the potential application to reconstruct Bevin Brothers Manufacturing, 10 Bevin Road
- Received a status report on the POCD Revision
- Received a status on the Lake Study
- Reviewed Open Permits

Joint Facilities

The February Special Meeting of the Town of Colchester – Town of East Hampton Joint Facilities Committee was held at the Colchester - East Hampton Waste Water Treatment Plant Meeting Room on Tuesday, February 23, 2016. Discussion included:

- Approval of the 16/17 FY Budget
- Discussion about a possible change order for the Rotary Drum Thickener (RDT) project. The committee approved management to accept a change order up to the total amount of the contingency fund in order to move forward with the project (i.e. larger hole for 1 piece removal of the DAF unit), if test results noting PCBs in enamel paint on DAF unit are validated.

Middle Haddam Historic District Commission

No meeting

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

At the February 2nd Regular Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, the board discussed the Rowing Club's use of Sears Park, the February skating series at Cranberry Bog, meeting times and locations, the Air Line State Park Trail, and program data from the 2015 calendar year.

Planning & Zoning Commission

At the February 3, 2016 Planning & Zoning Commission meeting, the Commission:

- Approved the application of Rechovos Corporation for an extension of the Salmon Run Open Space Subdivision
- Discussed the Design Review Board Guidelines
- Discussed the POCD Plan for July 1, 2016 Deadline
- Reviewed Open Road Performance Bonds

PZC also had three Special Meeting/Workshops to discuss the POCD Revisions on February 11th, 18th and 25th.

Police Department Building Committee

The Police Department Building Committee held a meeting on February 10th. They reviewed and discussed plans from Friar Associates for a Police Department in Center School. It was decided that these plans did not take into account the research done by the Committee and that Chairman Burdick would talk to the Town Council regarding this at the workshop on February 16.

Water Development Task Force

No meeting

Water Pollution Control Authority

The Water Pollution Control Authority meeting was held at the Colchester - East Hampton Waste Water Treatment Plant Meeting Room on Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. Aside from the standard discussion items the following items were discussed:

- Representatives from Sports on 66 attended the meeting requesting a non-standard pay structure for their Sewer Connection Fee that was ultimately voted against by the Committee.
- A Representative from Hampton Woods attended requesting a partial release of the letter of credit currently held by the WPCA for Sewage development. This request was granted.
- Lengthy discussion about the on-going issues with the quality of water at Royal Oaks. Opportunities for improvement were discussed and will be presented to the Council in the near future.

Zoning Board of Appeals

No meeting