

BOARD AND COMMISSION SUMMARY JUNE, 2016

Arts & Culture Commission

East Hampton Arts & Culture Commission met on June 16, 2016 at the Joseph N. Goff House. The Commission Grants for 2016 are on track, we are waiting to hear from Blackledge regarding the venue being booked in East Hampton and billing from the Chatham Historical Society. Art Purchase Award – three commissioners will attend the East Hampton Art Association art show on June 18 and select a piece of work to be purchased and donated to the town's youth and family services department. Open Studio - Planned for Oct. 22. A Save the Date notice will be prepared for the newspapers. Wade Russo Presentation – planned for June 28 at the library community room at 7 p.m. with a theme of the influence of Rock music in theater/Broadway. EHACC Web Site – Sue at the library, the EHACC town liaison, has agreed to contact Jeff Jylkka to learn what the town's policy is on separate web sites that are not maintained by the town. The cost is minimal, less than \$150 a year. Commissioners agreed that a short written description/proposal of the web site plan to Sue would be a good idea so that there would be no question about what would be used – art and culture related photos and event announcements and information about grant opportunities. Old Home Day - commissioners decided not to participate in a booth at Old Home Day. Parks and Recreation – Jeremy the director has been invited to attend a meeting. Josh Piteo will also come to a future meeting to discuss the town's 250th anniversary celebration and how the commission can be involved.

Board of Finance

The Board of Finance met on June 14th at the Middle School following the budget referendum. Since the budget passed, the mill rate was set at 29.44.

Brownfields Redevelopment Agency

The Brownfields Redevelopment Agency held their regular meeting on June 27. Discussion occurred on the possibility of applying for an EPA grant with a close application date. The bid package for 13 Watrous was submitted to DECD by Anchor and there was an anticipated bid notice date of June 30.

Charter Revision Commission

No meeting

Clean Energy Task Force

No meeting

Commission on Aging

The Commission on Aging met on June 9th at the Senior Center. The commission discussed the recent Round Table meeting and the Ice Cream Social. The Everbridge system was discussed as it pertains to seniors and for the next meeting the Emergency Management Director and Bill Kramer from Chatham Health will be present to assist

the commission with their questions. The meeting start time will change from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm to accommodate members that work during the day.

Conservation-Lake Commission

The Conservation-Lake Commission held their regular meeting on June 9. Plans were reviewed/approved for 8 Fairlawn Ave for a variance to construct a garage and 43 Wangonk for a variance to construct a deck. Discussion occurred on training the Sears Park employees to question boaters if they had been in other bodies of water with their boats and the possibility of using native aquatic species plantings to help clean the lake based upon a Chinese success story. The dam was discussed with general consensus that the commission could be the communicating group between Mr. Bevin and the town. A water ski show is being planned on the lake, possibly in early August.

Design Review Board

The Design Review Board met on 16th and reviewed a parking application submitted by Cobalt Lodge, 29 Middle Haddam Road. Recommendations were noted and are to be sent to the PZC for consideration.

Economic Development Commission

The Economic Development Commission held their regular meeting on June 21. The Commission heard a presentation given by Mr. Bristol and Ms. Sylvester, on behalf of the Brownfields Redevelopment Agency, which included updates on several recent and current projects and a top line summary of the economic assessment of the town. The EDC discussed plans to hold a joint meeting with the Brownfields Redevelopment Agency in August and September. Po's Rice and Spice will be featured the next Spotlight on Business. The Town Manager provided pertinent town updates.

Ethics Commission

No meeting

Fire Commission

The Board of Fire Commissioners held their regular meeting on June 13. Commissioner Palmer has resigned, a new Commissioner will hopefully be appointed soon. Proposals were reviewed and accepted for work on the Co#2 fire house for finishing work on the water heater and repairing stair treads and back stairwell. The new ladder truck should start production at the end of June, keeping it on track to be ready for delivery in October or November. Discussion occurred on logistics related to the Strawberry Festival, with an emphasis on clear communication with lead time, between Parks & Rec (and any other dept.) and the Fire Department when a large event will occur.

A special meeting was held June 23 in which quotes for the following work/items were approved: Fence repair and door trim replacement at Co#3, painting of bays and replacement of roof flashing, new fridge & range for kitchen, and on-demand water heater at Co#1 and in-vehicle mounts for tablets.

High School Building Committee

The High School Building Committee held their regular meeting on June 16. Progress is being made on schedule. Invoices were reviewed and approved and discussions occurred on items such as exterior signage, water and upcoming moves. The school will be closed for construction for the summer.

Inland Wetland Watercourses Agency

The Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency held their regular meeting on June 29. Applications were discussed for 85 Midwood Farm, 152 Chestnut Hill Rd. and the Princess Pocotopaug Corp.; all were continued to the next meeting. Site monitoring was lifted for Phase 1 of Dream Developers Edgewater Hill Development. A Cease & Desist order was lifted from 39 Skyline Drive. Jeff Foran and Joshua Wilson were re-elected as Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Agency. A new timber harvest as-of-determination form was adopted for use.

Joint Facilities

No meeting

Middle Haddam Historic District Commission

The Middle Haddam Historic District Commission met on June 23rd. Application #503 for a COA at 66 Middle Haddam Road to remove chimney rear of building, patch cross, close holes in roof, repoint chimney in parish hall for Christ Episcopal Church was approved unanimously.

Chairman Roberts submitted a letter from Jeremy DeCarli (Planning & Zoning) to Todd Zgorski of Cobalt Lodge Health and Rehabilitation Center. The letter was to inform him that Planning & Zoning is aware of the new parking area that was installed at the rear of their building and that it was done without the required permits. The letter ended by requesting that they contact the office of planning and zoning to remediate the situation. Chairman Roberts informed the members that P&Z has asked MHHDC to investigate the work that was done at the Cobalt Lodge since it is in the district and to inform P&Z of any possible action MHHDC might deem necessary.

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

At the June 7, 2016 Regular Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, the board discussed the Seamster Park Playground project and fundraising options. Members of the public were present for comments on the process. Also discussed were possible improvements to Sears Park and the approval of a large party scheduled at the Park in July.

Planning & Zoning Commission

On Wednesday, June 1st, the PZC heard the following:

- Application of Clark Hill Estates LLC, 0000 Clark Hill Road, for a 3-Lot Subdivision – Map 11/Block 39/Lot 2: Approved with conditions

- Application of Stephen Acerbo, 000 Rear Old Young Street (aka Sexton Hill Road) for a 4-Lot Subdivision – Map 4/Block 31A/Lot 9: Continued to the next meeting
- Application of Dean Brown, 26 Barton Hill Road, Bevin Mansion Bed & Breakfast, for a Special Permit pursuant to Section 8.4.I Standards for Specific Uses – Bed and Breakfasts – Map 02A/Block 47/Lot 40: Approved with conditions
- The Commission adopted the Plan of Conservation and Development as presented with an effective date of 7/1/2016.

Water Development Task Force

No meeting

Water Pollution Control Authority

The Meeting of the Town of East Hampton Water Pollution Control Authority was held at the Colchester - East Hampton Waste Water Treatment Plant Meeting Room on Tuesday, June 7, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. The FY 2016-2017 water budget was approved as presented (no rate change) with next steps being review by the Council at their June 14th meeting. The connection fee policy review was postponed due to excessive discussion around the water budget and Mr. Smith informed the members that Portland responded that day with some questions and are still reviewing our changes.

Zoning Board of Appeals

No meeting