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**Killingly Agriculture Commission**  
**Special Meeting**  
**Subcommittee Meeting**

**Tuesday, February 28, 2017**

**9:00 AM**

**Killingly Town Hall, 172 Main Street**

**ROOM 102**

**MINUTES**

**I. Call to Order and Roll Call**

In attendance – Frank Anastasio, Jim Stevens, Byron Martin, Cristal Salisbury

Staff – Ann-Marie Aubrey, Director of Planning; Jonathan Blake, ZEO

Public – John Olenick

NOTE: Mr. Olenick requested that he be able to speak before the board. Frank Anastasio asked if that would be possible as there was not citizens' comment on the agenda. Ann-Marie Aubrey stated that someone could make a motion to waive the rules to allow Mr. Olenick to speak, and that the board could still limit Mr. Olenick's time to speak. Byron Martin made the motion to waive the rules; Jim Stevens seconded the motion; vote was 4 to 0; Mr. Olenick was given his 3 minutes to speak.

John Olenick, 58 Hartford Pike, spoke to the proposed regulations (the copy he referred to was February 8, 2017 not February 28, 2017); gave his objections, voiced his opinions, challenged why the staff was doing the writing and then challenged the staff's capability. He then thanked the subcommittee for letting him speak.

Frank then continued on with the meeting.

**II. Business**

A) Killingly Zoning Regulations Section 585 "Agriculture" and Borough of Danielson Zoning Regulations Section 580 "Agriculture" language – review/discussion/action

Frank requested that Ann-Marie review the new draft, dated February 28, 2017 to the prior draft of February 8, 2017. Ann-Marie noted that the anything the commission had reviewed on February 8, 2017 was no longer "highlighted" even though it was still underlined. Ann-Marie reviewed the new definitions, and explained why they were included in this

revision and where the definitions came from. There were some other minor changes made throughout the document and they were also reviewed. There were some questions regarding various changes, and definitions.

Cristina had some questions regarding some of the definitions. Cristina also asked if staff was going to create an Agricultural Use Table – Ann-Marie responded that staff would be doing that once there was a final draft ready to be submitted to the Planning/Zoning Commission.

In response to Mr. Olenick's earlier comment - Frank stated that the AG COMM was an advisory commission, and that they depend upon staff to do the research and writing of the proposed regulations. The AG COMM gives the staff the ideas and concepts and the staff presents the written document, then the commission reviews the document and gives their comments back to staff for additional (re)writing if necessary.

The February 28, 2017 draft of the regulations is to be reviewed at the next regular meeting of the AG COMM on Wednesday, March 8, 2017.

Ann-Marie did mention that the definition of Silviculture should be added (this definition came from the CT DEEP publication called "Agriculture, Forestry & Connecticut's Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Act") "Silviculture is the art and science of growing and tending forests for the production of wood and other benefits." No subcommittee members objected.

### **III. Other Discussion Items**

Frank asked opinions of how the next steps should be handled – 1) should we work on the Borough Regulations and then present both regulations to the PZC; or 2) should we present the TOK regulations to the PZC and then present the Borough regulations at a later date?

Ann-Marie suggested that the subcommittee follow his second suggestion, as she explained that the Borough regulations also have to be reviewed by the Borough council before the PZC starts their approval process. So it was suggested that the TOK regulations be presented separate and apart from the Borough regulations.

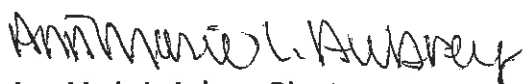
### **IV. Next Meeting – review/discussion/action**

The next meeting is the regular AG COMM meeting of Wednesday, March 8, 2017 at 7:00 pm; if it is determined that another subcommittee meeting is necessary it will be decided at that time.

### **V. Adjournment**

Byron Martin made a motion to adjourn; Jim Stevens seconded that motion. Vote was 4 to 0. Meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:50 am.

Respectfully submitted,



Ann-Marie L. Aubrey, Director