

Killingly Open Space Land Acquisition Committee

Thursday, September 25, 2014 6:30 PM

Room 102, First Floor Killingly Town Hall 172 Main Street, Killingly, CT 06239

Regular Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Welcome to Agriculture Commission Representative Byron Martin Chair Janet Hallbergh called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and welcomed Byron Martin, owner of Logee's and Vice Chair of the Agriculture Commission, to the Committee as the Ag representative.

PRESENT: Chair Janet Hallbergh (Bd. of Rec.), Bill Cheng (EDC), Donna Bronwell (KCC), and newly appointed Agriculture Commission representative Byron Martin. Keith Thurlow (P&Z) was absent with notification and Pamela Thompson (Citizen Rep) and Rodney Galton (Wetlands) were absent. Also present were Staff Linda Walden, Director of Planning and Development, Council Liaison John Hallbergh and Town Manager Sean Hendricks.

- II. Agenda Addendum (as needed) none
- III. Citizen Participation (Limited to five (5) minutes per speaker for an accumulated time of no more than 45 minutes (unless extended by a majority vote of the Committee) none
- IV. Adoption of Minutes
- 1. May 22, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes
 With the correction made by Chair Janet Hallbergh that the Council Liaison is John
 Hallbergh and Brian Gosper is the Alternate Council Liaison incorporated into the
 motion, the May 22, 2014 minutes were unanimously approved as corrected. (Motion by
 Bill Cheng, second by Byron Martin).
- V. Old Business none

VI. New Business

1. Executive Session Pursuant to CGS Section 1-200 (6) D – real estate At 6:40 PM, Bill Cheng moved to go into Executive Session pursuant to CGS Section 1-200 (6) D – real estate and include everyone present. Donna Bronwell seconded and the motion carried 4 to 0 unanimously.

The Committee left executive session and returned to the remainder of the meeting business at 7:11 PM.

2. 2015 and January 2016 Regular Meeting Schedule Upon a motion by Bill Cheng, seconded by Donna Bronwell, the 2015 with January 2016 meeting schedule was approved as presented – unanimous.

VII. Other Discussion Items

Donna Bronwell reported that the Five Ponds citizen group continues to meet and make progress. Sean Hendricks reported there has been no news from DEEP. Donna Bronwell said the group will meet Oct. 8 at Westfield Church and stated they have been working on a trust fund idea: if the owners are going to spend money to breach dams, why not put that money in a maintenance fund instead. She asked if Open Space Land Acquisition money is useable.

Sean Hendricks stated that the owners need a better handle on their property title. Chair Janet Hallbergh stated we need the DEEP report and it would be possible to look into using the OSLA fund money, but is not interested in depleting it.

VIII. Council Liaison Report

Councilor John Hallbergh reported that the sewer project is going to public hearing at 7 PM at KHS on Sept. 30, with a town meeting and vote taken that night. The town has no choice, the plant needs the work and if we don't do it on our terms, the state will tell us to do it on theirs. The November council meeting will be Nov. 10th due to Veteran's Day. A 2 year lease for Delta Rubber was extended for the holding tanks. Funds left in the Conservation, Wetlands and Ag accounts for last fiscal year were transferred to the OSLA fund and there is ~\$204,000 in it. Councilor Hallbergh elaborated on the sewer work, plans, percentage rates and timing.

IX. Next Meeting Date

No October 2014 meeting Next meeting TBD – as needed

X. Adjournment – at 7:23 pm upon a motion by Bill Cheng, seconded by Donna Bronwell – unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

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Linda Walden, Director of Planning and Development

Acting Clerk