

**PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
TOWN OF ASHFORD
REGULAR MEETING
August 8, 2016**

Present: Jeff Silver-Smith (Chairman), Alex Hastillo (Secretary), Gerry Dufresne, Doug Jenne, Richard Williams, Nord Yakovleff, Janet Bellamy (alt.), Tim Moran (alt.), Michael Gardner (Land Use Officer), and Francine Hodovan (Recording Secretary).

1. Call to Order: The August 8, 2016 regular meeting of the Ashford Planning and Zoning Commission was called to order by Chairman Jeff Silver-Smith at 7:00 p.m.

2. Seating of Alternates: Ms. Bellamy was seated for Mr. Paul and Mr. Moran was seated for Mr. Zaicek.

3. Review of Meeting Minutes for July 11, 2016 Regular Meeting: **MR. HASTILLO MOVED AND MR. MORAN SECONDED A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 11, 2016 P&ZC MEETING AS WRITTEN. VOTING FOR: SILVER-SMITH, HASTILLO, JENNE, MORAN, WILLIAMS AND YAKOVLEFF. VOTING AGAINST: NONE. ABSTAINING: BELLAMY AND DUFRESNE. MOTION PASSED: 6-0.**

4. Bills: Ms. Hodovan submitted a bill for tonight's meeting which was signed by Chairman Silver-Smith. It was then given to Mr. Gardner for accounting purposes.

5. Correspondence: None.

6. Unfinished Business:

a. Review Ashford P&ZC Regulations, Articles 3 and 4: It was suggested that individuals go through the document to determine discrepancies, errors and inconsistencies and report their findings at the next meeting. Mr. Moran requested that Chair Silver-Smith obtain a Word copy of the document that can be used for an overhead-style presentation to be corrected as you go along. The Commission all agreed. Mr. Gardner will request a Word copy of the P&ZC Regulations from Attorney Dorie Famiglietti. He will also request a large scale copy of the Town Map from NECCOG to be used to create the official town map to be included with the regulations and a Word copy of the Plan of Conservation and Development. Mr. Williams suggested that readers be aware of places in the document that get too specific in preference of the general. Mr. Silver-Smith agreed to start with a new editable document that can be corrected as you go which should also help in determining where there are duplications or inconsistencies. Board members were also instructed to look carefully at size limitations of all kinds to be sure they are still reasonable today. He also suggested that people be aware of lists and look at them carefully to be sure they are still as valid today as when the documents were originally written.

MR. HASTILLO MOVED AND MR. WILLIAMS SECONDED A MOTION TO ADD ITEM 7, NEW BUSINESS, A. REQUEST FOR PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION REGULATIONS AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 6B, SECTION 3.8.2. VOTING FOR: SILVER-SMITH, HASTILLO, BELLAMY, DUFRESNE, JENNE, MORAN, WILLIAMS AND YAKOVLEFF. VOTING AGAINST: NONE. ABSTAINING: NONE. MOTION PASSED: 8-0.

7. New Business:

a. Request for P&ZC Regulations Amendment to Article 6B, Section 3.8.2: Mr. Hastillo gave out copies of a letter dated August 6, 2016 from Attorney Dorie Famiglietti (Kahan, Kerensky and Capossela), requesting that Article 6B, Section 3.8.2 be reviewed. Fees were filed and all documents were correctly submitted. Mr. Gardner will set up a Public Hearing during the next regularly scheduled meeting of the P&ZC.

MR. WILLIAMS MOVED AND MS. BELLAMY SECONDED A MOTION TO SET A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD AT THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE P&ZC ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2016, TO GO OVER THE REQUEST FOR AMENDMENT TO THE P&ZC REGULATIONS, ARTICLE 6B, SECTION 3.8.2. VOTING FOR: SILVER-SMITH, HASTILLO, BELLAMY, DUFRESNE, JENNE, MORAN, WILLIAMS AND YAKOVLEFF. VOTING AGAINST: NONE. ABSTAINING: NONE. MOTION PASSED: 8-0.

8. Zoning Officer's Report: Mr. Gardner stated that he has received a site plan for a new residence on Maury Pond.

9. Other Business: A service will be held for Richard Hyde at St. Mark's Episcopal Church on N. Eagleville Road in Storrs on August 21, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. Ms. Bellamy will forward this announcement to Mr. Hastillo for distribution to Commission members.

The Economic Development Commission would like to request a meeting with P&ZC before the end of the year, perhaps in October. Mr. Darcy resigned his position on the EDC and that leaves an open Republican seat to be filled.

10. Public Comments: None.

11. Adjournment: MR. DUFRESNE MOVED AND MS. BELLAMY SECONDED A MOTION TO ADJOURN. VOTING FOR: SILVER-SMITH, HASTILLO, BELLAMY, DUFRESNE, JENNE, MORAN, WILLIAMS AND YAKOVLEFF. VOTING AGAINST: NONE. ABSTAINING: NONE. MOTION PASSED: 8-0.

The August 8, 2016 meeting of the Ashford Planning and Zoning Commission adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Francine Hodovan
Recording Secretary