

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING MARCH 20, 2018

Present: Regular members David Colbert, Peter Kalmes, James LaPorta, Stephen Saccardi, Anna Timell, alternate members Virginia Potter, Ben Gray Jr., Phil West and LUA/ZEO Karen Griswold Nelson.

Absent: Jill Cutler

Others present: First Selectman Gordon Ridgway (in 7:20PM).

Chairman David Colbert called the meeting to order at 7:05PM. Alternate member Ginny Potter was seated for regular member Jill Cutler. All regular members and alternate members participated in the evening's business.

PLANNING WORKSHOP to include but not limited to discussion of proposed "agricultural" regulations being brought forth for discussion by the Economic Development subcommittee, 2020 Plan of C&FD subcommittee reports and appointments and other zoning/subdivision regulatory matters. All regular members and alternate members participated in the evening's business.

Revised agricultural regulations (copy on file in the Land Use office) were made part of the record. There was open discussion as to the Commission's views as to how the current zoning regulations would be amended to include the new agricultural section. It was agreed that the current .4 subsection of Section 1.1 Statement and Purpose would remain, that Article II, Section 3.1 would be modified to include language to direct a person to the agricultural section, that Section 3.3 would be modified to include any new "special permit" listed in the new agricultural section, that the new agricultural section would become Section 5.11 to include all agricultural regulations and definitions including the existing farmer's markets regulations and that Article XVI, definitions would be modified to direct a person back to the Section 5.11. There was discussion of the timing of the legal review by town counsel, continued discussion and tweaking of the regulations based on input from all commission members and staff.

Prior to adjournment, there was an official welcome of new alternate member Phil West, a review of Plan of C&D committee roles, assignments and membership. Minutes of the March 8 "Natural Resource" subcommittee meeting and March 10 "were made part of the record with discussion by subcommittee chairs.

ADJOURNMENT.

Motion made by Mrs. Timell, seconded by Mr. Kalmes to adjourn at 9PM; unanimously approved

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Griswold Nelson