

**TOWN OF BARKHAMSTED
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 9, 2012**

Acting Chairman James Hart called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were John Polderman, Greg Gordon, and alternate, Tim Grohowski. Also present was Debra Brydon, Zoning Enforcement Officer, and Martin Connor, Town Planner. Hart sat Grohowski for Lavieri.

NEW APPLICATIONS: None

The commission agreed to amend the agenda to move “Any other business” ahead of the public hearing to accommodate a member of the public who had a question not pertaining to the Public Hearing.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS LEGAL AND PROPER TO COME BEFORE SAID MEETING;

Guy LaPlante questioned the commission on a piece of property on the corner of Knob Hill Rd. and Route 44 owned by the Slaters (127 New Hartford Road). This property is presently zoned B-1 and Mr. LaPlante wanted to know if the commission would consider changing the zone back to residential (RA-2). Marty Connor explained to Mr. LaPlante that the commission would be following the Plan of Conservation and Development for Route 44 and residential was not what the Plan called for on Route 44. The property only has 1.15 acres and does not meet the two acre minimum for residential (RA-2). Mr. LaPlante thanked the commission for their time.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. Amendments to the Zoning Regulations and Subdivision Regulations to incorporate Low Impact Development (LID) regulations and to further add a new Section 193.67.1 “Conservation Subdivisions” to the Zoning Regulations

The commission opened the public hearing at 7:05 and Debra Brydon read the legal notice into the record. Marty Connor went through some minor changes regarding changing the DEP name to DEEP and the commission asked the members of the public if anyone had any questions. Both Bill Winchester and Mario Santoro from Conservation Commission said they did not have any questions and liked the proposed LID changes that were being presented. Polderman made a motion to close the Public Hearing at 7:15 pm, seconded by Greg Gordon and unanimously approved.

PENDING APPLICATIONS:

A. Amendments to the Zoning Regulations and Subdivision Regulations to incorporate Low Impact Development (LID) regulations and to further add a new Section 193.67.1 “Conservation Subdivisions” to the Zoning Regulations

Hart asked the commission to table any decision on the proposed LID regulation changes until the next regular meeting in September (September 13, 2012) so Christina Lavieri could be present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Gordon made a motion to approve the minutes from April 12, 2012, seconded by Grohowski and unanimously approved. Polderman abstained.

CORRESPONDENCE: Reviewed; no action taken.

9. REPORT FROM ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:

Debbie Brydon reported to the commission on her tour of the State Capitol and the LID improvements, i.e. green roof, pervious sidewalks, rain gardens and pervious parking spaces.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Polderman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:27pm, seconded by Gordon and unanimously approved.

James Hart
Secretary