

**TOWN OF BARKHAMSTED  
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2017**

Chairman Christina Lavieri called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were James Hart, Greg Gordon, John Polderman and Sharon Neumann-Lynes, and alternate, Al Neumann. Also present was Zoning Enforcement Officer, Debbie Brydon.

**NEW APPLICATIONS: None**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS: None**

**PENDING APPLICATIONS: None**

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

Hart made a motion to nominate Christina Lavieri for Chairman, seconded by Neumann-Lynes. Hart made a motion to close the nominations, seconded by Neumann-Lynes and both motions were unanimously approved. Gordon made a motion to nominate Jim Hart as Secretary, seconded by Neumann-Lynes. Lavieri made a motion to close the nominations, seconded by Gordon. The vote on both motions was unanimously in favor of the nominations.

**DISCUSSION WITH SELECTMAN, DONALD S. STEIN REGARDING  
NEGATIVE REPORT ON 8-24 APPLICATION FOR THE SALE OF .06 ACRES  
OF PROPERTY TO PETER FERRARESSO**

Selectman Stein explained to the commission his reasons for selling the .06 acres to Peter and Sarah Ferraresso. The Ferraressos were also present and explained how they had cleaned up all the brush and old fence from years ago and wanted to put a fence up to keep the children away from the trees or any potential liability from going on to their property.

Chairman Lavieri asked the Ferraressos why they did not remove the trees and put the fence up along the property line. The cost to remove the trees may be prohibitive. Jim Hart spoke against selling any Town property. An opinion from Town Planner, Martin Connor and Town Attorney, Mark Branse was entered into the record.

The commission remained against selling the property to the Ferraressos.

**DISCUSSION REGARDING DRAFT PLAN OF CONSERVATION AND  
DEVELOPMENT**

Chairman Lavieri advised the commission that she was meeting with staff and Natalia Zagula to combine the old 2007 POCD with the new. The drafter combination to date was given to each commission member to review and discuss at next workshop.

Debbie Brydon asked the commission to also consider a recommendation to be put in the 2017 POCD regarding the Town's policy on obtaining or selling Town Property, as this language has been absent for the past two POCDs.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Hart made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting on December 8, 2016, as presented, seconded by Polderman and unanimously approved.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Reviewed; no action taken.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS LEGAL AND PROPER TO COME BEFORE SAID MEETING:**

Staff advised the commission that she has ordered the Connecticut Bar Association booklets regarding zoning laws and procedures for each commission and they will be available to all the members.

She further asked the commission to table the approval of the amended zoning map until the workshop meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: None**

Gordon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm, seconded by Neumann-Lynes and unanimously approved.

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James Hart  
Secretary