

**TOWN OF BARKHAMSTED
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING
THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2015**

Chairman Christina Lavieri called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m. Members present were James Hart, Sharon Neumann-Lynes, Greg Gordon, John Polderman and alternates Tom Andersen and Al Neumann. Also present was intern Natalia Zagula who will be working with staff starting in August, 2015 in preparation of the new Plan of Conservation and Development for 2017.

INTRODUCTION OF INTERN, NATALIE ZAGULA TO WORK ON PLAN OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

Natalie Zagula from UCONN was introduced to the commission. She will be starting in late August and work for 39 weeks, roughly 15 hours per week to help the commission in preparation of the new 2017 Plan of Conservation and Development and work with the Housing Commission doing research.

VOTE ON RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR SECOND HOUSING ECONOMIC GROWTH PROGRAM GRANT

Hart made a motion to pass the resolution, as presented, to apply for the second round of grant money to pursue the continuation of investigating housing diversity in the Town of Barkhamsted under the Housing for Economic Growth in Section 8-13 (m-x) of the CGS, seconded by Polderman. See attached.

Members of the commission voiced their reluctance to accepting State funds. Hart felt we should be focusing on amending the regulations to allow for more diversity in housing. The commission felt that a developer's input was missing from the Incentive Housing study as it needs to be economically viable for a developer to build.

The motion to approve the resolution to apply for the second round grant for Housing for Economic Growth in Section 8-13 (m-x) of the CGS was approved unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Neumann Lynes made a motion to approve the minutes from May 28, 2015, seconded by Hart and unanimously approved.

CORRESPONDENCE: Reviewed; no action taken.

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

Debbie Brydon, Zoning Enforcement Officer asked the commission to consider amending the “Table of Uses” to allow “Auto, mobile home and recreational vehicle sales, repair and service” as a SE (Special Exception) in the I-1 and I-2 zones. Marty Marola from Tru-Hitch on W. West Hill Road would like to apply for a Dealer’s repair license at the Tru-Hitch location to repair any of the trailers that are manufactured there to be shipped to Iraq. This matter will be discussed at the next meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

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

James Hart
Secretary