

**COLCHESTER PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2013  
Town Hall Meeting Room, 127 Norwich Ave., Colchester, Connecticut  
7:00 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Vice Chairman John Novak; John Rosenthal, Mark Noniewicz, Christopher Bakaj and Dave Gesiak  
Alternate: Jason Tinelle;

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Chairman Joseph Mathieu; Stacey Brown

**STAFF PRESENT:** Adam Turner, Town Planner, Craig Grimord, Assistant Planner/Zoning Enforcement Officer; Gail Therian, Clerk;

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Vice Chairman Novak called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Vice Chairman Novak asked the clerk to note those in attendance.

3. **Additions to Agenda** – None

4. **Minutes of Previous Meetings - Not Applicable**

5. **Public Hearing** – None

6. **Preliminary Reviews** – None

7. **New Business & Applications Received** – None

8. **Five Minute Session for Public** – None

9. **Pending Applications & Requests** - None

10. **Old Business** – None

11. **Planning Issues & Discussions:**

**A. Community Meeting for updating the Plan of Conservation and Development**

G. Chalder of Planimetrics reviewed the results of the exercise held at the September 30, 2013 meeting. He explained that the Plan of Conservation and Development reflects the community's long term plans for growth in the future. Discussions were held regarding the preservation of natural resources; maintaining the rural and historic character of the town; the development of a Capital Improvement strategy and the need for economic development and how to market Colchester to achieve this economic growth. He ended the meeting by reviewing the process that will be used to reach the adoption of the updated Plan of Conservation and Development.

12. **Zoning Enforcement Officer's Report** - None

13. **Correspondence** – None

14. **Adjournment:**

**Motion** by J. Rosenthal, seconded by D. Gesiak to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail N. Therian, Clerk

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