PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

TOWN OF DEEP RIVER, CONNECTICUT

Town Hall 174 Main Street Deep River, Connecticut 06417

- 1. A **regular meeting** of the *Deep River Planning and Zoning Commission* held on Thursday, October 20, 2016 at the Deep River Town Hall was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Chairman Bruce Edgerton. Members present: Leigh Balducci, Sara Denegre, Bruce Edgerton, Janet Edgerton, Janet Samuels, Ben Whalen, and Alternate Jonathan Kastner. Absent: David Basilone and Alternate Bill Burdick. Also present: Cathie Jefferson (Zoning Enforcement Officer) and Nancy Howard (recording secretary).
- 2. <u>Approval of Minutes</u>: A motion was made by Jane Samuels and seconded by Leigh Balducci to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 15, 2016 as printed. Voted Unanimously.
- 3. Payment of Bills: None.
- 4. <u>Correspondence</u>: Secretary J. Edgerton noted receipt of the following correspondence:
- (a) letter dated September 20, 2016 from ZEO Jefferson to George Bartlett regarding additional lighting placed on the building at 444 Main Street. Full cut-off lighting is required in accordance with Regulation #11.9.3.
- (b) email dated 10/12/2016 from Marcy Balint, DEEP Office of Long Island Sound Programs acknowledging receipt of the regulation amendments. She noted that the Bureau is in the middle of a major reorganization and she will no longer be the coastal liaison for Deep River, and is unsure if the system will continue to exist. The amendments have been forwarded to David Blatt, Supervisor of the Planning Unit.
- (c) letter dated 10/3/2016 from ZEO Jefferson to Cynthia Stannard regarding motor vehicles and/or parts being stored and/or repaired on the property located at 15 Witch Hazel Drive.
- (d) memo dated 9/29/2016 from Killingworth Planning and Zoning Commission with proposed amendments to the Killingworth Zoning Regulations
- 5. Audience: None
- 6. <u>Reports</u>: (a) <u>ZEO</u>: ZEO Jefferson reported on the following: (1) The Prisley appeal is still under review; (2) Discussion has taken place with the First Selectman regarding splitting the Conservation and Inland Wetlands Commission.
- (3) A current proposal being considered for the Mislick subdivision property on Kelsey Hill Road is to leave the 23 lots on the main road with a driveway with two buildings located in the back for a total of eight units proposed as age 55 and over. The proposal would necessitate an equal swap of a small portion of land for the open space with the Deep River Land Trust. The Land Trust has not responded in favor of the proposed swap.
- (4) Cynthia Stannard, 15 Witch Hazel Drive: The owner responded that the motor vehicle junk would be removed.
- (5) George Bartlett, 444 Main Street: Mr. Bartlett responded that he would not change the lights on his building. ZEO Jefferson noted that complaints have been received that the lights are shining to the street and to the neighbors. ZEO Jefferson noted that she pursues problems with lights when complaints are received.

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- 7. Other Business: Bruce Edgerton noted that the USDOT is planning to again change the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The MPO was changed a couple years ago when CRERPA and Midstate planning agencies were combined to form the Rivercog. The new plan proposed would separate our region into separate areas, with a portion going to Hartford, some to New London, and some to New Haven. Mr. Edgerton noted that he prepared a letter to the Federal Highway Administration Federal Transit Administration in objection to the MPO Coordination and Planning Area Reform from himself and as a member of the Lower Conn. River Valley Regional Planning Agency requesting that the NRPM be withdrawn. Discussion took place about sending a letter of objection on behalf of the P&Z. A motion was made by Janet Edgerton and seconded by Leigh Balducci to authorize Bruce Edgerton to send the letter of objection in the name of the membership of the Planning and Zoning Commission. (Bruce Edgerton abstained.)
- 8. A motion was made by Janet Edgerton and seconded by Jane Samuels to adjourn at 7:42 p.m. Voted Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted Nancy Howard Recording Secretary