## LITCHFIELD PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Town Hall Annex – 80 Doyle Road, Bantam, CT

## Minutes of April 1, 2013

## 1. Chairman, Dr. Susan Lowenthal, called the meeting to order (7:00)

- a. Present were Commissioners Curt Barrows, Peter Losee, Susan Lowenthal, Dave Pavlick, Tom Waterhouse, and Alternate Commissioners, Ralph White and Erin Kennedy
- b. Absent: Commissioners Carol Bramley, Sky Post and Alternate Commissioner Ed Doyle
- c. Land Use Administrator, Dr. Dennis Tobin, was present
- d. Appointment of alternates: None
- e. Appointment of Acting Secretary; Mr. White was appointed
- f. Approval of Minutes of March 18, 2013: Motion to approve by Mr. Pavlick, second by Mr. Post, affirmative vote unanimous with the following edits:
  - i. 2,b: Insert "to avoid potential conflict" after "and left the room."
  - ii. 7,b,i: Insert "to avoid potential conflict" after "and left the room."
  - iii. 7,b,ii: Replace, "...summarizes the gist of the application as she understood it (It had been received by the Land Use Office this afternoon)" with, "...said the application was a complex one."
- 2. Public Comment: (7:09) None
- 3. Commissioners' Requests: (7:09) None

# 4. Review Tax Assessor's Open Space Clarification (7:09)

- a. Dr. Lowenthal read a 4-1-13 letter from Mark Austin from the Conservation Commission
- b. Dr. Lowenthal read from 1979 and 1980 minutes of the Commission in order to review the documentary origins of the Open Space designation.
- c. Dr. Tobin read from the mission statement of the Conservation Commission and asked that they comment in this matter.

## 5. Proposed Zoning Regulation Amendment (7:39)

- a. To date there has been no response from any of the commissions, towns, or other parties from whom the Commission solicited comment.
- b. Susan Lowenthal read a 4-1-13 letter from David Dean to Leo Paul objecting to the proposed amendment on the basis of the "maximum size limit." (Mr. Dean appears to be misinformed since the amendment does not involve a maximum size limit.)
- c. A Public Hearing was set for May 6, at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall Annex Gymnasium.

## 6. Old Route 8 Committee (8:18)

a. The Committee has yet to convene.

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- b. Mr. Waterhouse handed out a 2009 handout titled "Thomaston Road Task Force" and asked that Commissioners familiarize themselves with it.
- 7. Land Use Administrator Report (8:54)
  - a. Permitting fees of \$675 were received in the month of March.
- 8. Old Business (8:20) None
- 9. New Business (8:20) None
- 10. Correspondence (8:20)
  - a. Letters have been received from the CT Siting Council for information only.
- 11. Executive Session (8:21) None
- **12.** Adjournment (8:21)
  - a. by acclimation

Respectfully Submitted, Ralph White, Acting Secretary April 1, 2013

Susan W. Pitman Lowenthal, MD

Chairman

4/15/13