Mary Ann Jacob, Chair Mitch Bolinsky, Vice Chair Joe Girgasky, Recording Secretary Jeffrey A. Capeci Phil Carroll Robert Merola



Minutes of the Legislative Council Ordinance Committee DRAFT-DRAFT

The Ordinance Committee met on January 18, 2012 in the Council Chambers of the Newtown Municipal Center at 6:30 pm. Ordinance Committee Chairman Jacob called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Present: Ms. Jacob, Mr. Carroll, Mr. Merola, Mr. Girgasky and Mr. Bolinsky.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None noted.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR 1-11-12: Motion to accept minutes made by Mr. Merola and seconded by Mr. Carroll. Mr Bolinsky noted that the minutes did not reflect Mr. Merola continuing to lead Ordinance 79 nor did it reflect Mr. Bolinsky taking the lead on the "Anti-blight" ordinance. All in favor of accepting the minutes as corrected.

ELECTION OF A RECORDING SECRETARY: Ms. Jacob motioned to nominate Joe Girgasky. Motion seconded by Mr. Merola. All in favor.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES:

- Ordinance for Controlling Felines: Ms. Jacob to continue leading the feline ordinance, provide (to the committee) a copy of Connecticut General Statutes referenced in the feline ordinance and invite Selectman Llodra and Police Chief Kehoe to offer input at the next Ordinance Committee meeting. Mr. Bolinsky expressed concern regarding verbiage in §3 C & D.
- Anti-blight ordinance: Mr. Bolinsky asked about comparing this to what other towns may already have in place. Ms. Jacob offered to follow up with Mr. Capeci on availability of existing comparisons. Ms. Jacob asked the committee to review "definitions". Mr. Bolinsky to contact George Benson (Land Use) to obtain input regarding any existing anti-blight references, anti-blight as it may apply to historic sites and designation of a "Blight Enforcement Officer".
- Ms. Jacob reiterated that Ordinance 79 will be addressed in the near future.
- Ms. Jacob noted that individual sub-committee members leading ordinance development shall document progress on associated ordinance.
- No public participation.

The committee agreed to meet on January 25, 2012 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm to continue work on "Feline" and "Anti-blight" ordinances.

Respectfully Submitted, Joe Girgasky