



## TOWN OF OLD SAYBROOK Zoning Commission

### Executive Board

*Robert C. Friedmann, Chairman*  
*Madeleine B. Fish, Vice Chairman*  
*Geraldine M. Lewis, Secretary*

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### Members

*Charles E. Sohl*  
*John T. Talbott*

### Alternate Members

*Thomas C. Farnham, Jr.*  
*Elizabeth D. Steffen*

### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES Monday, March 19, 2012 at 7:00 PM 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room – Town Hall 302 Main Street

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Friedmann called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

#### II. ROLL CALL

##### Attendant Members

Robert C. Friedmann, Chairman  
Madeleine B. Fish, Vice Chairman  
Geraldine M. Lewis, Secretary (arrived 7:50 p.m.)  
John T. Talbott, Regular Member  
Charles E. Sohl, Regular Member  
Thomas C. Farnham, Jr., Alternate Member  
Elizabeth D. Steffen, Alternate Member, seated for G. Lewis until 7:50 p.m.

##### Attendant Staff

Christine Nelson, Town Planner  
Susan Graham, Administrative Clerk  
Joanne Rynecki, Summer Intern

#### III. REGULAR BUSINESS

##### A. MINUTES

**MOTION** to approve the minutes from the February 21, 2012 Regular Meeting; **MADE:** by M. Fish; **SECONDED:** by E. Steffen; **VOTING IN FAVOR:** R. Friedmann, M. Fish, J. Talbott, C. Sohl, E. Steffen; **OPPOSED:** None; **ABSTAINING:** None; **APPROVED:** 5-0-0.

##### B. CORRESPONDENCE

The Commission discussed the total for invoice #29506 for Branse, Willis & Knapp and approved \$1089.00, instead of \$1155.00, since it was unclear how the total was derived.

**MOTION** to pay Nathan L. Jacobson & Assoc. invoices #75442 (\$244.50), #75443 (\$644.63), #75444 (\$244.50) for a total of \$1133.63; **MADE:** by R. Friedmann; **SECONDED:** by E. Steffen; **VOTING IN FAVOR:** R. Friedmann, M. Fish, J. Talbott, C. Sohl, E. Steffen. **OPPOSED:** None; **ABSTAINING:** None; **APPROVED:** 5-0-0.

**MOTION** to pay Branse, Willis, and Knapp invoices #29506 (\$1089.00), #29682 (\$165.00), #29733 (\$346.50) for a total of \$1600.50; **MADE:** by R. Friedmann; **SECONDED:** by E. Steffen; **VOTING IN FAVOR:** R. Friedmann, M. Fish, J. Talbott, C. Sohl, E. Steffen. **OPPOSED:** None; **ABSTAINING:** None; **APPROVED:** 5-0-0.

Chairman Friedmann reported that Robert Richards was appointed as a new alternate member on the Commission.

#### IV. **WORKSHOP: JOANNE RYNECKI, SIGN PRESENTATION**

Ms. Rynecki, Summer Intern for the Land Use Dept., presented an informational slideshow analyzing the function of design standards in relation to the types of signs used in Town.

Ms. Lewis joined the meeting at 7:50 p.m. and replaced Ms. Steffen, who was seated in her place. The Commission discussed ideas with Ms. Nelson regarding design standards to maintain the Town's character. She noted their ideas and will provide feedback forms for further observations to be used in design standards.

#### V. **COMMITTEE, REPRESENTATIVE & STAFF REPORTS**

Chairman Friedmann noted that ZEO Costa had worked many hours with Colvest / West Marine so that the new retail store at 1657 Boston Post Road could open on March 15<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Sohl reported that there have been disputes brought up at the Inland Wetland Commission between neighbors.

#### VI. **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m. to the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Monday, April 2, 2012 at the Old Saybrook Town Hall, 1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room, 302 Main Street at 7:00 p.m.: **MADE:** by R. Friedmann; **SECONDED:** by G. Lewis; **VOTING IN FAVOR:** R. Friedmann, M. Fish, J. Talbott, C. Sohl, G. Lewis; **OPPOSED:** None; **ABSTAINING:** None; **APPROVED:** 5-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Graham  
Administrative Clerk