

EAST LYME PLANNING COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING I
Tuesday, OCTOBER 19, 2010
MINUTES

FILED IN EAST LYME *a*
Oct 21, 2010 AT 10:00 M
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EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

The East Lyme Planning Commission held a Public Hearing on the Town of East Lyme 2009 Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD) Amendments to Chapter 5, Section 5.1 Open Space and Chapter 3, Section 3.3 Mixed Use/Affordable Housing on October 19, 2010 at Town Hall, 108 Pennsylvania Ave., Niantic, CT. Chairman Bowers opened the Public Hearing and called it to order at 7:03 PM.

PRESENT: Mike Bowers, Chairman, George McPherson, Secretary, Chris Sandford, Francine Schwartz, Brian Schuch, Brian Bohmbach, Alternate

ALSO PRESENT: Frank Balantic, Alternate

ABSENT: Mike Mangelinkx, Joan Bengtson, Alternate

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge was observed.

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1. Application of the Town of East Lyme 2009 Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD) Amendments to Chapter 5, Section 5.1 Open Space and Chapter 3, Section 3.3 Mixed Use/Affordable Housing

Mr. Bowers noted that this Public Hearing would remain open for 65 days in order to allow time for SECCOG, DEP OLISP and the Board of Selectmen to provide any comments that they might want to make.

Mr. Bowers then called for any comments from the Commissioners or from the public --

Mr. Sandford noted that from his perspective in looking over Chapter 5 that there appears to be a number of errors that he recalled that they had agreed to change. He suggested that they provide a clean document to the public. He said that he would be willing to get the information to the Director.

Steve Harney, 20 Islanda Court asked if - in as it would apply to open space - is it the purview of the Commission to get involved in recommendations on open space and also in seeking grants for open space as there have been grants given for open space and he had noticed that we did not receive any of the money.

Mr. Bowers said that he would pass the information along as it is not the purview of the Commission to be involved in grants.

Mr. Harney asked if they would spell that out as last week Friday the Governor announced the granting of open space monies of \$10.5M to various Towns but we did not put any application in and it appears that all of the completed grant applications that they received were given some of that money. He said that he thinks that there are other programs out there with available money for open space besides just deeded open space.

Mr. Bowers said that the Planning Commission does not get involved in writing grants, etc. as that is under the purview of staff but he would pass the information along.

Mr. Bowers then asked if there were other public comments -
Hearing none --

He called for a motion to continue this Public Hearing --

****MOTION (1)**

Mr. McPherson moved to continue this Public Hearing to the November 16, 2010 meeting of the Commission.

Mr. Schuch seconded the motion.

Vote: 6 – 0 – 0. Motion passed.

Mr. Bowers adjourned this Public Hearing at 7:10 PM and continued it to the November 16, 2010 meeting of the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Zmitruk,
Recording Secretary