

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING DECEMBER 21, 2010

E. CURTIS AMBLER ROOM

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Chairman Pappa called the roll call at 7:00 p.m. and noted Commissioners Beyer, Forte and Igielski were present. Also present were Alternates Harlow and Zelek, Mr. Anthony Ferraro, Town Engineer and Mr. Chris Greenlaw, Assistant Town Engineer.

NOTE: Chairman Pappa designated that Alternate Harlow would vote for Commissioner Longo and Alternate Zelek would vote for Commissioner Shapiro.

ITEM III

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting of November 16, 2010

Motion made by Commissioner Forte to accept the minutes as submitted and was seconded by Commissioner Igielaki. There was no discussion. Vote was 4 yes, 0 no, 2 abstentions (Harlow and Zelek) and the motion was carried.

ITEM IV

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: NONE

ITEM VA

Election of Officers

Office of Chairman

Motion made by Commissioner Forte to place in nomination the name of Mark Pappa.

Motion made by Commissioner Igielski to close the nominations. There was no discussion. Vote was 5 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention (Pappa) and the motion was carried and Commissioner Pappa was elected Chairman.

NOTE: Mr. Pappa assumed the position of the Chair.

Office of Vice-Chairman

Motion made by Chairman Byer to place in nomination the name of John Igielski and was seconded by Commissioner Forte.

Motion made by Alternate Harlow to close the nominations and was seconded by Commissioner Forte. There was no discussion. Vote was 5, yes, 0 no, 1 abstention (Igielski) and the motion was carried and Commissioner Igielski was elected Vice-Chairman.

Office of Secretary

Motion made by Commissioner Igielski to place in nomination the name of Alex Forte and was seconded by Commissioner Byer.

Motion made by Alternate Harlow to close the nominations and was seconded by Commissioner Igielski. There was no discussion. Vote was 5, yes 0 no, 1 abstention (Forte) and the motion was carried and Commissioner Forte was elected Secretary.

ITEM VB

Approve meeting schedule for 2010 & January 2011

Town Engineer Anthony Ferraro noted that the agenda package included a proposed meeting schedule for 2010 and January 2011.

Motion made by Alternate Harlow to accept the proposed meeting schedule for 2010 and January 2011 (third Tuesday of the month for the regular meeting and the first Tuesday of the month to cover the possible need to hold a special meeting or workshop) as submitted and was seconded by Commissioner Forte.

Commissioner Igielski noted that the first Tuesday in January 2011 is the 4th day of the month; not the 3rd day as shown on the proposed meeting schedule.

Motion made by Commissioner Igielski to amend the proposed meeting schedule to change meeting date for January 2011 from the 3rd to the 4th and was seconded by Commissioner Forte. There was no discussion vote was 6, yes, 0 no and motion was carried.

Vote on the original motion was 6, yes, 0 no and the meeting schedule as amended was carried.

ITEM VI A

Application 2010-06, Synthetic Turf Field, Clem Lemire Recreational Complex

Mr. Anthony Ferraro, Town Engineer, noted that the application proposes to convert the existing natural grass (football) field (at the Clem Lemire Recreational Complex) to synthetic turf.

Chairman Pappa asked if the application was complete? Mr. Ferraro responded yes.

Motion made by Commissioner Igielski that based on the information before it, the Commission make a finding of fact that a public hearing is not necessary for Application 2010-06 because the proposed activities would not have a major impact or significant effect on the regulated areas. Motion seconded by Alternate Harlow. There was no discussion. Vote was 4 yes, 0 no, 2 abstentions (Harlow and Zelek) and the motion was carried.

Mr. Ferraro passed out a list of suggested conditions for consideration by Commission members. There was a general review by Commission members.

Motion made by Commissioner Igielski to grant a permit by Summary Ruling for Application 2010-06 and subject to conditions. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Forte. There was no discussion. Vote was 4 yes, 0 no 2 abstentions (Harlow and Zelek) and the motion was carried.

NOTE: Refer to audio tape or "Official Notification of Action" for conditions of the permit.

ITEM VII

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: NONE

ITEM VIII

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS: NONE

Motion made by Commissioner Byer to adjourn meeting at 7:15 p.m. and was seconded by Commissioner Forte. There was no discussion. Vote was 6, yes, 0 no and motion was carried.

Peter M. Arburr, Recording Secretary

Commission Members
Tayna Lane, Town Clerk
Town Manager John Salamone
Edmund Meehan, Town Planner
Councilor Myra Cohen
Chairperson, Town Plan and Zoning Commission
Anthony Ferraro, Town Engineer
Ben Ancona Jr., Esquire, Town Attorney
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