

TOWN OF EAST LYME
ZONING COMMISSION
FEBRUARY 6, 2014
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

Members Present:

Marc Salerno, Chairman
Terence Donovan
Matthew Walker
George McPherson
Norm Peck
James Liska, Alternate (Sat for Public Hearing)
William Dwyer, Alternate (Sat for Public Hearing)
Peter Lukas, Alternate

Members Absent:

Matthew Kane

Also Present:

Bill Mulholland, Zoning Officer

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Salerno called the Public Hearing to order at 7:32 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Salerno led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC DELEGATIONS

There were no public delegations.

Mr. Liska sat for the Public Hearing due to Mr. Kane's absence.

Mr. Peck recused himself for the Public Hearing and Mr. Dwyer sat in his place.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- 1. CONTINUATION OF THE APPLICATION OF CYNTHIA STEVENS TO AMEND THE EAST LYME ZONING REGULATIONS SECTION 1.45A, SECTION 9.2.8, AND SECTION 25.5 REGARDING PET DAYCARE AND BOARDING FACILITIES .**

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Cynthia Stevens presented the application. Her business will be called Salty Paws, it will have a Nantucket style look to it from the outside. There will be outdoor play areas, it will not be like a dog pound, or have runs.

She presented Exhibit B – 2 sided representative pictures of the type of use being proposed.

They will have an 8 foot white vinyl fence around the exterior play yard, it will be free range, with no kennels, they will have private suites, there will also be an indoor play area. They provided sample language from North Branford, Wallingford, and Southington. They would be willing to work with the Commission on any tweaks they are proposing.

Mr. Donovan suggested a minimum setback. Wallingford has 500 feet, and North Branford has 200 feet.

Mr. Mullholland stated if the text amendment is substantially changed they would have to re-advertise.

Mr. Stevens asked if they thought Wallingford has 500 feet for noise or visual reasons. If it was for noise they have already stated they will follow the decibel levels that are in the Town's Noise Ordinance.

Mr. Liska asked if they would be putting acoustic panels up.

Mr. Stevens stated it would depend on the building.

Mr. Mullholland stated the issue tonight is the text amendment and whether the text offers protection to surrounding properties.

Cynthia Stevens presented Exhibit C – Updated Proposed Regulation.

There was no public comment.

Motion (1) Mr. Donovan moved to close the Public Hearing.

Seconded by Mr. McPherson.

Motion Passed 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted,



**Karen Miller Galbo
Recording Secretary**