

TOWN OF EAST LYME
ZONING COMMISSION
December 5th, 2019
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Members Present:

Matthew Walker, Chairman
Norm Peck
Terence Donovan
Anne Thurlow
Bill Dwyer
James Liska, Alternate *(Sat as Regular Member)
Denise Markovitz, Alternate

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Also Present:

Rose Ann Hardy, Ex-Officio

December 11, 2019 AT 10:15 AM/PM

Absent:

Bill Mulholland, Zoning Official
John Manning
Kimberly Kalajainen

Brooke Howard ATC
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

Chairman Walker called the Zoning Commission meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

The Commission sat Mr. Liska as a Regular Member for the evening.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Walker led the Pledge.

Public Delegations

There were none.

Public Hearings

There were none.

Regular Meeting

1. Election of Officers

Ms. Hardy presided over the election of officers.

MOTION (1)

Mr. Liska nominated Mr. Walker as Chairman.

Mr. Dwyer seconded the nomination.

There were no other nominations.

Nomination carried, 6-0-0.

MOTION (2)

Mr. Dwyer nominated Mr. Donovan as Secretary.

Ms. Thurlow seconded the nomination.

MOTION (3)

Mr. Liska nominated Ms. Kalajainen as Secretary.

There was no second; nomination failed.

There were no further nominations.

Ms. Hardy called for the vote and Motion (2) carried, 6-0-0; Mr. Donovan was voted in as Secretary.

Ms. Hardy swore Mr. Walker in as Chairman and Mr. Donovan as Secretary.

Mr. Walker acknowledged that there is an alternate vacancy position available and they have 30 days to fill the position before that task is completed by the Board of Selectmen.

Mr. Walker noted that former commission member George McPherson has expressed interest in the position and Mr. Donovan responded that former Planning Commission member Peter Lynch has expressed interest as well. The Commission discussed having both candidates speak with at the next meeting.

2. Approval of Minutes of November 21st, 2019.

Mr. Donovan said on page 2, under Subcommittee item 1, 6th sentence from the bottom reads "building" when it instead should read "building(s)."

MOTION (4)

Mr. Dwyer moved to approve both the Meeting Minutes of November 21st, 2019 as amended.

Mr. Donovan seconded the motion.

Mr. Liska and Ms. Thurlow abstained from the vote.

Motion passed 4-0-0.

Old Business-

1. Subcommittee-Site Plan Requirements/Architectural Regulations

Mr. Walker said the Public Hearing for this item will take place on January 16th, 2020. He noted that Mr. Mulholland will be clarifying the CB/CM zone in the regulations.

New Business-

1. Application of John Paul Mereen, LS, CFM, Agent for Bruce and Ellen Bellucci, Owner; for a Coastal Area Management Review for the construction of a new home at 26 Bishops Bay Road, East Lyme Assessor's Map 22.10, Lot 28.

Mr. Walker asked that this item be scheduled for January 2nd, 2020.

2. Any business on the floor, if any by the majority vote of the Commission.

There was none.

3. Zoning Official

Mr. Mulholland was not in attendance.

4. Comments from Ex-Officio

Ms. Hardy congratulated the members on their newly elected positions or their continued service. Mr. Liska asked if she had heard any feedback on Costco and Ms. Hardy responded that she has mostly heard public comments regarding the problematic traffic configuration; the configuration was dictated by the DOT.

5. Comments from Zoning Board Liaison to Planning Commission

Mr. Liska said he agreed to cover the Planning meeting for Ms. Kalajainen but it was cancelled due to a lack of agenda items. Mr. Walker is scheduled to attend the December 10th, 2019 meeting.

Mr. Donovan reminded the Commission that the Special Meeting for the POCD is happening on December 10th, 2019 and Mr. Peck said that he would attend as well.

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6. Comments from Chairman

Mr. Walker said he has nothing to report. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and welcomed Ms. Markovitz to the Commission.

Adjournment

MOTION (5)

Mr. Donovan moved to adjourn the Zoning Commission Meeting at

7:57 p.m.

Ms. Thurlow seconded the motion.

Motion passed 6-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brooke Stevens
Recording Secretary