

MINUTES OF THE CHESHIRE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2018, AT 7:30 P.M. IN ROOM 207-209, TOWN HALL, 84 SOUTH MAIN STREET, CHESHIRE CT 06410

Present - Earl J. Kurtz III, Chairman; Sean Strollo, Vice Chairman;
Members: John Kardaras, Jeff Natale, Louis Todisco.
Alternates: Robert Brucato and Robert Anderson
Staff: William Voelker, Town Planner

Absent - Gil Linder, Secretary; S. Woody Dawson, Edward Gaudio and Vincent Lentini

Commissioner Kurtz recused himself from Applications 1 and 2

I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairman Strollo called the public hearing to order at 7:32 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll and a quorum was determined to be present.

III. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Following roll call a quorum was determined to be present.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The group pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alternates Mr. Anderson and Mr. Brucato sat for the applications.

Mr. Voelker read the call:

The Cheshire Planning and Zoning Commission will hold Public Hearings on Tuesday, February 13, 2018, at 7:30 p.m. at the Cheshire Town Hall, 84 South Main Street, Cheshire, CT 06410 to hear the following:

1. The continuation of the Public Hearing for the Waiver Request for Kurtz Realty LLC, c/o Ryan McEvoy, Milone & MacBroom, Inc., 99 Realty Drive, Cheshire, CT 06410. To waive Section 25.5 Subsection 9 for Earth Removal, Filling or Regrading, property located at 1621 and 1631 Peck Lane, Cheshire, CT as generally shown on Assessor's Map No. 10, Lot No(s) 1, 2 in and I-2 zone. The file is available for public inspection in the Planning Department, 84 South Main Street, Cheshire CT, 06410.
2. The continuation of the Public Hearing for the Earth Removal, Filling or Regarding Permit, c/o Ryan McEvoy, Milone & MacBroom, Inc. 99 Realty Drive, Cheshire, CT 06410, property located at 1621 and 1631 Peck lane, Cheshire CT, 06410 as generally shown on Assessor's Map No. 10,

Lot No(s) 1.2 in an I-2 zone. The file is available for public inspection in the Planning Department, 84 South Main Street Cheshire, CT 06410.

Respectfully submitted,

Gilbert Linder, Secretary
Cheshire Planning and Zoning Commission

Mr. Voelker read the DEP email from Dawn McKay to Megan Raymond, Lead Environmental Scientist at Milone and McBroom, dated January 22, 2018:

Megan,

The area along the Ten Mile River is one of our most critical and important areas in the state for state special concern turtles, especially wood and box turtles. As more and more land is developed and hardened, the turtles are being run over and killed at alarming rates. Also the wetlands associated with this area have known extant populations of state special concern eastern ribbon snake. My letter will reflect the protection strategies for these three species.

Mr. Voelker read the letter dated February 8, 2018 from Megan Raymond, Milone and McBroom to the Town Planner. The letter described the Wood Turtle, Eastern Ribbon Snake and Eastern Box Turtle Protection Protocol and included a "list details of the prescribed measures to ensure protection of wildlife species during construction".

Mr. Voelker informed the Vice Chairman that he has no further comments and that staff agrees the comments from DEEP are sufficient.

Ryan McEvoy, Engineer, Milone & McBroom reiterated the comments made by the Town Planner.

Mr. Todisco asked the Engineer to show on the map the location of the silt fence. Mr. McEvoy replied that it would be along the clearing limits of the northern side indicated with a light green color on the map. The Engineer stated that when the silt fence goes up, the turtles found are moved following DEEP protocol.

The engineer clarified that the waiver request is specific to the areas along the street line for Peck Lane. When there are two properties with the same owner, they are viewed as one property.

Mr. Brucato asked the engineer whether the material coming in is checked to be sure it is safe. The engineer said that generally not, unless the material is coming from a known source of contamination.

There were no public comments.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED to adjourn the public hearing at 7:44 p.m.

MOTION by Mr. Todisco, seconded by Mr. Mr. Kardaras

VOTE - The motion passed unanimously by those present.

Attest:



Angela Izzo, Clerk