



**TOWN OF REDDING
ZONING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 24, 2003
7:30 P.M.
TOWN HALL HEARING ROOM**

Present: Frank Taylor, Chairman, Gerry Casiello, Vice Chairman, Marshall Sanford, Carrie Reilly, and Gary Miyashiro

Absent: Laurie Richardson, Ben Gordon, and Hugh Karraker

Also Present: Tom Gormley, Zoning Enforcement Officer

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2003

MOTION: Mr. Casiello made the motion to accept the minutes of the Public Hearing for Godstow on September 10, 2003 as written. Mr. Sanford seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MOTION: Mr. Sanford made the motion to accept the minutes of the Public Hearing for Redding Signs on September 10, 2003 as written. Mr. Miyashiro seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MOTION: Mr. Sanford made the motion to accept the minutes of the Regular meeting of September 10, 2003 as written. Mr. Miyashiro seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REGION 9 JOEL BARLOW HIGH SCHOOL

Fran Scharf and Skip Filanowski were present for the discussion concerning the situation at the High School. Ms. Scharf indicated that the twenty two items on the list from the State have been rectified; however they still need to submit a plan for the remaining items to be completed.

Mr. Filanowski indicated that it would be approximately three days before field D was sodded. They will also be planting fifteen white pines, to be placed near the Oppenheimer property, in the next week.

Mr. Gormley reported that he inspected the site and considering the large amount of rain, the area looked good.

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Ms. Scharf requested that the bond be released seeing as that the twenty two items from the State were addressed. Mr. Taylor explained that the bond may not be released until all work on the site is completed.

Mr. and Mrs. Oppenheimer were also present and requested that the Building Committee install a chain link fence as the students are walking on the slope and this is causing erosion problems. Furthermore the stormdrains in the student parking lot are well above the pavement and this should be rectified prior to winter. Additionally, they are concerned with the fencing which has been installed and they do not feel it is installed as is indicated on the plans.

Mr. Gormley explained to the Commission that the temporary fencing currently in place does meet the requirements and it is as indicated on the plans.

ANTHONY & DOROTHY HAN, 301 REDDING ROAD

Mr. Anthony Han is present for the issue pertaining to the storage of horse trailers. Also present for this discussion was Mrs. Dorothy Han, Cindy Neil, Benny Wallace, and Pam Gould.

The concern of the public is the requirement for the screening of horse trailers and the inaccessibility this may pose for them as they may be needed in an emergency situation.

Mr. Taylor explained that this may be a grandfathered situation for some people. He further explained that they may approach the Zoning Board of Appeals to claim an unusual hardship and apply for a variance. Or should they prefer, they may take it upon themselves to propose an amendment to the Zoning Regulations.

OVERBROOK ASSOCIATION, 17 MAIN STREET, GEORGETOWN

Overbrook Association was present for an application for a site plan approval to construct a new building. During the discussion, it was determined that it would be best if they applied to the Zoning Board of Appeals for their setback issues. If they should decide to wait for an amendment to the Zoning Regulations, this could take quite some time.

Overbrook Association decided that they would try to obtain a variance from the Zoning Board of Appeals and withdrew their application.

DISCUSSION

Margo O'Hara Hampson is present and requested that the Commission place her on the agenda to discuss the potential buyers of her home and their application for the affordable housing. The Commission did not make a motion to include this discussion on the agenda. Mr. Taylor indicated that this is an administrative issue and could be handled accordingly.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Taylor reviewed the communications.

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FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

A public hearing is scheduled for November 12, 2003 for Stuart Herman, Newtown Turnpike at Long Wall Road.

Mr. Casiello requested that the fencing issue be placed on the next agenda for discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Mr. Sanford made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:32 P.M. Mr. Casiello seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Filed Subject to Approval,

Respectfully Submitted,

Dorothy Torres, Clerk