

Stephan Grozinger, Chairman; Jane Connolly, Vice Chairman; Don Saltzman, Britta Lerner, Ken Edgar, Pierre Ratte – Absent Joe Limone

Also present: Land Use Director

Meeting recorded digitally on 12/19/11

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Stephan Grozinger moved that the Commission approve the minutes of 12/5/11 with correction. Seconded by Pierre Ratte. Vote in favor (6-0) Joe Limone absent.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

There was no report at this time.

DISCUSSION/DECISION: APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING & ZONING SWRPA REPRESENTATIVE FOR 2012 – RIDGE YOUNG/TOM FAILLA

Former Planning & Zoning member Ridge Young was not able to be present. Tom Failla, SWRPA representative for the Planning & Zoning Commission for the past three years was present, and stated that he would assist Mr. Young during Mr. Young's first few months as the SWRPA representative.

Don Saltzman joined the meeting.

Stephan Grozinger moved that the Commission thank Tom Failla for his work on SWRPA for the past three years. Seconded by Don Saltzman. Vote in favor (6-0) Joe Limone absent.

Don Saltzman moved that the Commission approve the appointment of Ridge Young to represent the Planning & Zoning Commission at the SWRPA meetings, effective January 1, 2012 for a two- year term. Seconded by Jane Connolly. Vote in favor (6-0) Joe Limone absent.

STATUS REPORT: LENHART, 118 GEORGETOWN ROAD, OCTOBER 31, 2010 – ORDER OF REMOVAL

Larry Beausoleil was present representing August Lenhart. Mr. Beausoleil stated that he was the contractor for the house in question and submitted to the Commission a package of documents including permits and photographs relating to a flood plain. He gave a detailed history of the property and the construction of the house. He mainly dealt with the Conservation Commission and thought that the floodplain issue was part of the Conservation approval.

Mr. Lenhart had previously gone before the Zoning Board of Appeals, but eventually withdrew his application.

Don Saltzman stated that he would like the Commission to hire an expert engineer for a flood plain analysis to solve this problem and asked that the ordinance be enforced. Stephan Grozinger felt that this was an application for which the Commission could not use that procedure. Mr. Saltzman felt that the flood elevations are key to resolving the issues in this application. Mr. Grozinger felt that some very significant work has been done in the flood zone without permits. Mr. Beausoleil stated that he has already hired a hydrologist.

Town Engineer John Conte stated that he has been working with Mr. Beausoleil for two years and gave his opinion on the matter. A discussion followed. It is important that our regulations are complied with so that FEMA does not cancel the flood insurance for the Town of Weston.

Stephan Grozinger moved that the Commission approve suspending enforcement until January 17th, 2012, before the Commission meeting on January 23, 2012 and for the hydrologist's report to be emailed to the Land Use Director. Seconded by Don Saltzman. Vote in favor (6-0) Joe Limone absent.

The Commission advised the applicant that whoever he needs to explain the report, have them come to the meeting. The Commission also invited the Town Engineer back to the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted.

Joan Lewis, Administrative Assistant

Approval: Minutes approved on February 6, 2012

