

Public Hearing – June 3, 2008
Ordinance Regulating Land Use Fees

Present: Selectman W. Glenn Major; Selectwoman Gayle Weinstein; Town Administrator Tom Landry; Administrative Assistant Judy DeVito; Land Use Director Tracy Kulikowski; Chairman, Conservation Commission Cory Attra; Margaret Wirtenberg.

Mr. Major opened the Public Hearing at 7:17pm.

Mr. Major said the purpose of the meeting was to accept public comment regarding the proposed one year renewal of section 4 of the schedule of Land Use Application Fees which may be amended from time to time pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §8-1c.

Tracy Kulikowski said that this was the ordinance that allows the land use boards, if they see a problematic or a complex application, to hire an engineering expert or tracking expert and put in fees back onto the applicant. The section in the ordinance is a one year renewal and they are here to get renewed for another year.

Cory Attra, Chairman of the Conservation Commission, said they used it once and the cost overruns that occurred were partly administrative issues, but were also partly the applicant's issues and in hindsight would have asked for more money. The status now is that Conservation has selected an independent consulting firm to provide the array of services that they look for in an on-call basis and in accordance with the process that they had submitted and that the Board of Selectmen had reviewed and approved ultimately.

Margaret Wirtenberg spoke in favor of the ordinance.

At 7:25pm Mr. Major closed the public hearing.

Respectfully Submitted
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Administrative Assistant

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