

Planning and Zoning Commission Minutes

The East Haven Planning and Zoning Commission held its Regular meeting on Wednesday, August 1, at 7:00 PM at the East Haven Community Center, 91 Taylor Avenue in order to transact the following:

Chairman DeMayo called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.
Roll call- 3 Present (Lang, Asid, and DeMayo) 2 Present (Marotti and Gravino)
Staff Present-Christopher Soto, Zoning Official, Sal Brancati, Director of Administration, and Assistant Town Attorney, Alfred Zullo.

- Accept/Approval of Minutes from June 6th and July 11th, 2018 meetings.
 Commissioner Lang moved to accept the minutes of June 6 and July 11, 2018.
 Commissioner Asid second the motion.
 Voice Vote-All in Favor. None opposed. No Abstentions.
 Approved
- 2a) No Old Business
- 3a) Submission of the draft of the Plan of Conservation and Development for the Town of East Haven Reschedule Public Hearing.

Mr. Soto explained that the state requires the town submit the plan to SCROOG at a minimum of 65 days for a public hearing therefore it needs to be scheduled no earlier than September 22 and no later than October 5, 2018. We need to re-accept for review and reschedule the public hearing for October 3, 2018.

Commissioner Asid indicated that she would be on vacation and the chairman showed concern, he wanted all members present.

Attorney Alfred Zullo indicated that the commission can hold the public hearing and keep it open until the next month. It just needs to be open within the time frame dictated by the state.

Mr. Brancati stated that Mr. Brian Miller who developed the plan will be present to present the plan and answer questions.

Commissioner Asid made the motion as presented to re-accept for review and reschedule the public hearing for October 3, 2018.

Commissioner Lang second the motion.

Roll Call Vote-All in Favor. None opposed. No Abstentions.

Re-accepted for Review and Re-scheduled Public Hearing for October 3, 2018.

3b) 135 Estelle Road: Appeal of Notice of Blight Violation: Violation of Section 10-101 of East Haven Code of Ordinances. Property deemed blighted to dilapidated structures.

Mr. Robert Porter, 135 Estelle Road is requesting additional time to remove the unregistered car. He started to clean out the garage to put it in the garage but he had too many items in the garage to clean it out. So he then decided to put the car up for sale and would like a little more time to sell it.

Commissioner Lang asked Mr. Porter how long has been unregistered parked in the yard. Mr. Porter indicated 20 years.

Commissioner Lang stated that after 20 years you want this commission to grant you more time.

Mr. Soto explained that the town ordinance states that he cannot have inoperable and unregistered vehicles stay on the property. While we are out on complaints we survey those neighborhoods. The ordinance states 10 days to rectify typically it takes about two weeks it has been two weeks. Through conversation with this gentleman he wanted a considerable amount of time.

Chairman DeMayo asked Mr. Porter if he had not received the letter would have contemplated moving the car.

Mr. Porter answered in the negative.

No that you know you are in violation what time frame do you think is a reasonable amount of time.

Mr. Porter indicated he is trying to sell the vehicle.

Chairman DeMayo stated selling the car is not giving the commission a time frame. Are you thinking two weeks?

Mr. Porter stated he does not know how long it will take to sell the car.

Chairman DeMayo stated that is an unacceptable answer.

Mr. Brancati stated that after 10 days it is a \$100.00 a day fine.

Commissioner Lang indicated looking at the picture it seems that not only has the car been sitting for 20 years, which is not fair to your neighbors but your yard is blighted as well with debris and overgrown grass the property is not taken care of at all. You should remove the car.

Chairman DeMayo stated that Mr. Porter needs a solution to his problem. He then asked can't you have the car towed out of there? You can donate it to Give it to Cars for Kids and

receive a tax credit. Can it be stored somewhere? You have to have a better solution than that of just putting it up for sale.

Mr. Porter said he wants to sell it to buy another car he would like another 30 days.

Commissioner Lang asked what he thought the car is worth.

Mr. Porter believes he could sell it for \$5000.

Commissioner Lang said he doubts that because if it were worth that it would not have been sitting for 20 years. What about the people who live on both sides of you that have to look the mess.

Mr. Porter said no one has complained they have a fence.

Commissioner Lang said yes to hide the car.

Commissioner Asid asked if he could tow it or store it. Maybe call someone who collects cars.

Mr. Porter indicated he just wants an extension to try and sell it. Commissioner Asid moved to grant a 14 day extension from the date of this meeting. Commissioner Lang second the motion.

Granted 14 Day Extension from the date of the meeting.

Roll Call Vote-All in Favor. None opposed. No Abstentions.

4a) 690 Main Street: Administrative Approval of Modified Site Plan

Respectfully submitted,

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