

September 23, 2013

Present: Mr. Fitzherbert, Mr. Reich, Mr. Solley, Mr. Abella, Mr. Werkhoven

Alternates Present: Mr. Dutton, Alt.

Absent: Dr. Craparo, Alt., Mr. Wyant, Alt.

Staff Present: Ms. White

Others Present: Ms. Laverge, Press

Mr. Fitzherbert, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Seated: Mr. Fitzherbert, Mr. Reich, Mr. Solley, Mr. Werkhoven, Mr. Abella

Consideration of the Minutes

The Commission considered the August 26, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes of the Town of Washington Zoning Commission.

Corrections:

Throughout the document, Eversol should be spelled: Ebersol

Motion:

to accept the Zoning Meeting Minutes of August 26, 2013 as corrected,
by Mr. Reich, seconded by Mr. Abella, passed by 5-0 vote.

New Application(s)

Laverge/226 Bee Brook Road/Special Permit: Section 13.11.3/Detached Accessory Apartment:

Ms. White read Ms. Hill's Administrative Report dated 9/19/13 (on file in the Land Use Office).

The Commission considered scheduling a Public Hearing. There were no objections.

Ms. Laverge stated that the space is used as a studio office at the moment.

There was a brief discussion regarding the other items Ms. Laverge must submit to the Land Use Office before the public hearing.

Motion:

to schedule the Public Hearing at the next regularly scheduled Zoning Commission Meeting on October 28th at 7:30 in the Upper Level Meeting Room in Bryan Memorial Town Hall to consider the request of Laverge for a Special Permit/Section 13.11.3/Detached Accessory Apartment at 226 Bee Brook Road,

by Mr. Werkhoven, seconded by Mr. Solley, passed by 5-0 vote.

Other Business

Nominating Report/Election of Officers:

Mr. Fitzherbert stated that he would be stepping down as Chairman of the Town of Washington Zoning Commission due to personal reasons but would remain on the commission as a member.

Mr. Werkhoven read his nomination report. The following slate of officers were submitted:

Chairman – Mr. Solley

Vice Chairman – Mr. Reich

Secretary – Mr. Abella

There were no other nominations from the commissioners.

Motion:

to close the nominations for the election of officers as submitted by the nomination committee, by Mr. Werkhoven, seconded by Mr. Abella, passed by 5-0 vote.

Mr. Fitzherbert requested a vote on the submitted slate of officers.

Motion:

to elect officers of the Town of Washington Zoning Commission as follows:

Solley for Chairman, Reich for Vice Chairman, Abella for Secretary, passed unanimously.

Mr. Werkhoven thanked Mr. Fitzherbert for all his years on the Zoning Commission.

Motion:

to extend grateful appreciation and thanks to Mr. Fitzherbert for his work during the extended processes for certain cases and spearheading work with the Zoning Commission through the years,

by Mr. Werkhoven, seconded by Mr. Abella, passed unanimously.

Mr. Fitzherbert gave a brief history of Mr. Solley's involvement with Zoning in the Town of Washington.

Enforcement

Enforcement Report:

Ms. White distributed the Zoning Enforcement Report dated September 23, 2013 (on file in the Land Use Office).

Privilege of the Floor:

The commissioners briefly discussed the decision of the Superior Court, Judicial District of Litchfield, Docket No: LLI CV-12-6007231-S, Michael Stern, ET AL. V. Town of Washington Zoning Commission, ET AL., dated September 11, 2013 (on file in the Land Use Office).

Adjournment

Motion:

to adjourn at 8:05 pm. by Mr. Reich, seconded by Mr. Fitzherbert, passed by 5-0 vote.

Mr. Solley adjourned the meeting.

SUBMITTED SUBJECT TO APPROVAL:
Shelley White, Land Use Clerk,