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# TOWN OF CROMWELL PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING 7:00 PM TUESDAY APRIL 3, 2018 ROOM 224 CROMWELL TOWN HALL, 41 WEST STREET MINUTES AND RECORD OF VOTES

Present:, Vice Chair Michael Cannata, Chris Cambareri, Jeremy Floryan, Paul Cordone, Brian Dufresne, David Fitzgerald (alternate)

Absent: Chairman Alice Kelly, Ken Rozich, Nicholas Demetriades, John Keithan (alternate)

Also Present: Director of Planning and Development Stuart Popper, Development Compliance Officer Bruce Driska, Town Engineer Jon Harriman, Town Council Liaison James Demetriades

# 1. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Cannata at 7:01 p.m.

# 2. Roll Call

The presence of the above members was noted.

# 3. Seating of Alternates

Jeremy Floryan made a motion to seat David Fitzgerald; Seconded by Paul Cordone. *All in favor; motion passed*.

## 4. Approval of Agenda

Vice Chair Michael Cannata asked if there any amendments to the Agenda. Mr. Popper asked that the Commission to amend the agenda to add the acceptance and scheduling of two new applications:

Application # 18-10 Application: Request for a Site Plan Modication to add a clothing bin at 529 Main Street. AMG Retail LLC is the Applicant and the Owner. and

Application #18-13: Request for a Special Permit under Section 6.1 of the Zoning Regulations for the proposed substantial filling (18,000 cubic yards over a 5+ year period) at 76 Field Road, 59R Nooks Hill Road and 10 South Ridge Road. Carrier Group, Inc. is the Applicant and the Owner.

Jeremy Floryan made a motion to amend the agenda; Seconded by Paul Cordone. All in favor; motion passed.

## 5. Public Comments

There were no public comments at this time.

# 6. Development Compliance Officer

Mr. Driska referenced his report included in the Commission's packet and asked if there were any questions. The Commission did not have any questions.

# 7. Town Planner Report

Mr. Popper stated the Regular meeting of April 17, 2018 is cancelled. A Special Meeting is scheduled for April 24, 2018 at 7 PM in Room 224 of Town Hall.

# 8. New Business: Accept and Schedule New Applications:

A motion made to accept and schedule Application # 18-10 Application: Request for a Site Plan Modication to add a clothing bin at 529 Main Street. AMG Retail LLC is the Applicant and the Owner to be considered at the May 1, 2018 meeting.

Jeremy Floryan made a motion to accept the application and schedule it as a business item for the May 1, 2018 meeting; Seconded by Brian Dufresne.

All in favor; motion passed.

A motion made to accept and schedule Application #18-13: Request for a Special Permit under Section 6.1 of the Zoning Regulations for the proposed substantial filling (18,000 cubic yards over a 5+ year period) at 76 Field Road, 59R Nooks Hill Road and 10 South Ridge Road. Carrier Group, Inc. is the Applicant and the Owner to be heard at the April 24, 2018 public hearing.

The motion was made by Paul Cordone; Seconded by Chris Cambareri. *All in favor; motion passed.* 

# 9. Public Hearing:

Stuart Popper read the legal notice.

a. Application #18-03: Request for a Special Permit under Section 2.10.3 and 2.10.4 of the Zoning Regulations to allow for the parking of storage trailers in R-15 Zone District at 20 Pleasant Street. Matthew Zeiner is the Applicant and the Owner.

Jermy Floryan made a motion to open the public hearing; Seconded by Brian Dufresne. *All in favor; motion passed*.

Matt Zeiner of 20 Pleasant Street presented the application. He displayed an aerial image of his property commenting that the Pleasant Street lot had 500-ft. depth to River Road. Mr. Zeiner requested approval to keep three commercial trailers at his property in addition to one boat/trailer and one utility trailer. Mr. Zeiner stated two motor vehicles currently stored in plain view in the rear of his property will be removed in the immediate future. He stated he would plant 6-ft. to 8-ft. Arborvitae bushes as screening for neighbors as well as the River Road street view.

Barbara Spada, 15 Pleasant Street questioned traffic patterns and times of travel for the commercial trailers.

Mr. Popper read written comments in opposition received from Diane McBride on behalf of her mother, Marilyn Lord owner of 69 River Road and 14 Wall Street.

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To whom this may concern,

I am writing this on behalf of Marilyn Lord, owner of 69 River Road and 14 Wall Street. This is regarding the application # 18-03 from applicant Matt Zeiner. My mother would prefer the 3 trailers not to be parked on the property. If they are allowed to be parked on the property, we would like the 3 trailers to be parked between the house and the garage.

Thank you, Marilyn Lord and Diane McBride, daughter

The Commission members and staff discussed the proposed application. Mr. Driska read Section 2.10.1 of the Zoning Regulations into the record noting that per the regulations by special permit the applicant could only have one additional commercial vehicle (i.e. one additional trailer in this case) not the three the applicant was requesting.

Paul Cordone made a motion to close the public hearing; Seconded by Brian Dufresne. *All in favor; motion passed*.

The Commission members discussed the application and the implications of the storage of these commercial trailers in a residential neighborhood.

Brian Dufresne made a motion to deny Application #18-03: Request for a Special Permit under Section 2.10.3 and 2.10.4 of the Zoning Regulations to allow for the parking of storage trailers in R-15 Zone District at 20 Pleasant Street. Matthew Zeiner is the Applicant and the Owner. Seconded by Jeremy Floryan. *All in favor; motion passed.* 

b. Application #18-05: Request for a Special Permit under Section 8.7 of the Zoning Regulations for the proposed Planned Residence Development at 76 Field Road. Carrier Group, Inc. is the Applicant and the Owner. Application #18-06: Request for Site Plan Approval for the Planned Residence Development Zone District at 76 Field Road. Carrier Group, Inc. is the Applicant and the Owner.

Paul Cordone made a motion to open the public hearing; Seconded by Brian Dufresne. *All in favor; motion passed.* 

Attorney Joan Molloy with the law firm of Loughlin & Fitzgerald discussed the previously submitted and approved PRD Zone Change application and concept plan. Attorney Molloy presented an overview of the proposed Special Permit Application and the Site Plan Application and how they complied with Section 8.7 of the Zoning Regulations.

Mr. Tom Daley, P.E. with the firm Milone & McBroom provided specifics associated with the development of the site, utilities and over all layout of the plan.

Mr. Scott Driscoll, Licensed Environmental Professional discussed the history of the use of pesticides at the site. He then discussed the plan to remediate the site and relocate the polluted soils on site.

Nathan Peck, P.E. & Traffic Engineer discussed the traffic study prepared in conjunction with the application and reviewed the traffic intersections around the site.

The Commission members and Mr. Peck discussed the traffic study and the various intersections noted in the study. Mr. Cannatta raised concerns about residents heading south to Middletown using Nooks Hill Road and asked the Engineers to take a second look at that area and the implications to traffic.

Mr. John Carrier of the Carrier Group discussed the history of the family owned business and showed a PowerPoint presentation about the business. He also showed a brief video about of one of the Carrier Group's more recent developments.

The Commission members and the applicant's representatives and the applicants discussed the Special Permit and Site Plan applications in general.

Vice Chair Michael Cannata opened the public hearing to the members of the public.

Mr. Michael Millane of 34 Field Road Cromwell addressed the Commission. He had concerns regarding the future traffic in the neighborhood. Mr. Millane also discussed in depth the history of pesticide use at the site.

Mr. Michael Camilleri of 14 Centerwood Drive Cromwell addressed the Commission. He complimented the developer's efforts to work with the neighborhood. Mr. Camilleri had positive comments on the site plan and buffer. He also had concerns about the traffic and asked the town to look at ways to mitigate its impact.

Mr. Bob Fuller of 7 Wexford Lane Cromwell addressed the Commission. He also had concerns regarding the traffic to be generated by the development and it impact on the already busy streets in the neighborhood.

Ms. Julie Schmidt of 54 Field Road Cromwell addressed the Commission. She was very concerned about the existing traffic in the neighborhood and was very concerned about the impact of the additional traffic will have upon the safety of the current and future residents of the neighborhood.

Mr. Nick DiBattista of 71 Field Road Cromwell addressed the Commission. He also had concerns about the safety of all the people walking on Field Road. Mr. DiBattista discussed previous traffic accidents in the neighborhood and noted the need to do something to control the additional traffic that will be associated with the new development.

Vice Chair Michael Cannata asked for any other members that wished to address the Commission. There being none he asked for a motion to continue the public hearing.

Paul Cordone made a motion to continue the public hearing to April 24, 2018; Seconded by Brian Dufresne. *All in favor; motion passed* 

11. Commissioner's Comments: There were no comments.

# 12. Adjourn:

A motion to adjourn was made by Paul Cordone; Seconded by Brian Dufresne. Meeting adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Brace E. Driska

Zoning & Wetlands Enforcement Officer

Acting Recording Clerk