

**TOWN OF CROMWELL
TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
41 WEST STREET, CROMWELL, CT 06416**

**Public Hearing Minutes
June 14, 2023 at 6:50 p.m.**

Present: Mayor S. Fortenbach, Deputy Mayor J. Henahan, Councilman J. Demetriades, Councilwoman J. Donohue, Councilwoman P. Luna, Councilman Polke, Councilman A. Waters

Mayor Fortenbach called the Public Hearing to order at 6:56 p.m.

MOTION made by P. Luna and **SECONDED** by J. Henahan to open the public hearing.
All in favor.

Mayor Fortenbach read the Notice of Public Hearing:

The Town Council of the Town of Cromwell will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at 6:50 p.m. in the Cromwell Town Hall, Council Chambers located at 41 West Street, Cromwell, CT for the following purpose:

To hear public comment regarding the swap and sale of 14R Winchester Way (1.93 acres) with 1.93 acres from 20 Winchester Way in the amount of \$25,000.

Dated at Cromwell, Connecticut this 2nd day of June. Steve Fortenbach, Mayor for the Town Council

The Council agreed that after hearing from the Public, verbiage should be added to the motion regarding the drainage situation.

Mayor Fortenbach asked if anyone from the public would like to speak or offer comments.

McAitlin Anderson, 11 Winchester Way explained that she is here to request that the public hearing be continued to another date due to the insufficiency of the placard on Winchester Way. She explained that zoning sets the standard for the signage. She stated that the sign states that 14R Winchester Way is the subject of a public hearing and for more information to call the given phone number. She cited the requirements for signs under the zoning regulations and explained that the sign does not meet the requirements and therefore, she requests the public hearing be continued to another date once it has been noticed properly.

Ms. Anderson was informed that the posting of the sign and the notice requirements do not fall under the zoning regulations, but under C.G.S. 7-163(e). She was assured that the sign and notice requirements were posted in accordance with C.G.S. 7-163(e).

Peter LaCava, 10 Winchester Way stated he is not in favor or against this property swap. He has lived at his property for 18 years now and until the Landon was constructed and he never had problems with water in his basement. In previous years the water coming down from that area stayed within the natural water course there. Right now, during moderate to extreme rainfall, the volume of water that comes down from the Landon does not stay within the natural water course and runs towards his house. He showed the Mayor a video. See the attached photograph of the video.

Rosanna Glynn, 28 Sovereign Ridge suggested the discussion be around why the drainage is not being improved which would correct the issues. Mayor Fortenbach explained that the proposal includes additional drainage. Mayor Fortenbach confirmed the reason for the swap is for parking. Ms. Glynn explained that perhaps there is not enough information for the public.

MOTION made by J. Henehan and **SECONDED** by P. Luna to close the public hearing.
All in favor.

The public hearing was closed at 7:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Amanda Calve
Secretary

