

**TOWN OF SOMERS
PLANNING COMMISSION
P.O. BOX 308
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**PLANNING MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
September 23, 2010
TOWN HALL – 7:00 pm**

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman, B. Pellissier called the regular meeting of the Planning Commission to order at 7:02 pm. Members W. Salka and G. Genlot were present. Alternate member: S. Sutter was seated for C. Bordeaux and constituted a quorum.

II. PUBLIC HEARING:

None.

III. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Application by Michael Redmond for expansion of the current paved parking area at 138 Main Street, Somers, CT. map 21, block 13A

B. Pellissier suggested briefly tabling this item as neither the applicant, nor the Town Liaison is in attendance at this time.

A motion was made by Mr. Salka to table Michael Redmond's application and return to it later in the meeting; seconded by Mr. Genlot, and then unanimously voted by members as approved.

Mr. Pellissier returned to this Agenda item later in the meeting. As the Applicant, nor the Town Liaison had appeared this evening, he suggested tabling this item until the next Planning Commission meeting.

IV. DISCUSSION:

a. Discussion on Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD)

Mr. Pellissier opened the discussion on the Preservation Meaningful Open Space within the plan. He stated it seeks to identify appropriate sites, develop an acquisition list, and create a Land Trust sub-committee. Mr. Pellissier added that he had been told Planning Commission members could not set up the Land Trust sub-committee; only the Board of Selectmen can. Mr. Pellissier has spoken to the First Selectman, L. Pellegrini, who will put this issue on a BOS meeting agenda.

Mr. Pellissier finished by asking for other members' thoughts, so that the Planning Commission can have some input the POCD. Mr. Genlot suggested Mr. Pellissier speak to Culver Modeset, Chairman of the North Central Land Trust. Mr. Pellissier agreed and wondered about the possibility of a joint meeting with to discuss priorities. Both Mr. Genlot and Mr. Sutter thought it would be a good idea.

Mr. Pellissier stated he would contact Mr. Modeset to set up a meeting. He will report back to the Planning Commission at the next meeting.

V. STAFF/COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

None.

VI. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

None.

VII. CORRESPONDENCE AND BILLS:

None

VIII. MINUTES APPROVAL: (9/9/10):

Mr. Pellissier recommended tabling the Minutes to the next meeting. Members agreed. Mr. Salka pointed out that the members will also need to review the 8/5/10 Minutes at the next meeting as well.

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Mr. Salka to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Sutter, and unanimously voted to adjourn the September 23, 2010 Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission at 7:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

William Salka, Secretary

Kimberly E. Dombek, Recording Secretary