



Town of Fairfield Land Acquisition Commission

CHAIR Letitia Fergusson
VICE-CHAIR Karen Hinch
SECRETARY Wendy Radovic
COMMISSIONERS Mary Cody Jeanne Konecny Stuart Manley Jeanne Harrison Henry Skiba Jr.

(Draft) Minutes
June 6, 2012

Present: Jeanne Konecny, Jeanne Harrison, Karen Hinch, Stuart Manley, Stanley Garrell
Absent: Mary Cody, Wendy Radovic

Also present, ex-officio member, First Selectman Mike Tetreau

Vice-Chair Hinch called the meeting to order at 7:35 P.M in John Sullivan Independence Hall.
Vice-Chair appointed herself to represent Skiba Jr.

1. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Harrison, second by Hinch to approve April 4, 2012 minutes. Passed 4-0

2. Announcements:

- A. Vice-Chair welcomed the new member Stanley Garrell
- B. Vice-Chair announced that Letitia Ferguson has resigned

It was a sense of the members that Jeanne Konecny be elected to be the new Chairman. An election will be held at the next meeting.

- C. Vice-Chair announced tonight's meeting would be the last meeting for the paid secretary Marcia Miner due to budget restraints.

3. New Business

First Selectman Tetreau recommended that the commission make long range planning a priority. He noted that as the town grows, more space is going to be needed, exemplifying that some properties that become available may not be appropriate for active or inactive "open space" but could serve the town in other ways, such as school expansion, branch library etc. Long term planning requires seeing where we are, and where the town needs to be in the future.

General discussion about creative ways to finance the purchase of land, via donations, matching funds, wills, grants, bonding etc.

4. Old Business

- A. Vice-Chair noted that the conveyance of 1.19 acres from Connecticut DOT to the Town was approved by the RTM
- B. Manley inquired about the Vermont Ave. parcel. Vice-Chair noted that it had been turned down by the RTM.
- C. Vice-Chair noted that Cody was working on the survey.
- D. Discussion about Open Space workshop was tabled.
- E. Konecny requested email addresses for all the commissioners.

5. Executive Session-none

6. Adjournment

Motion by Manley, second by Hinch to adjourn at 9:30 P.M. Passed 5-0

Respectfully Submitted by,

Marcia H. Miner