Plan of Conservation and Development Implementation Committee Special Meeting Minutes January 11, 2016

The Plan of Conservation and Development Implementation Committee held a special meeting on Monday, January 11, 2016, at the Town-Human-Services Building, 166 South Broad St., Pawcatuck, CT.

Attending were First Selectman and Chairman, Rob Simmons, and members, Keith A. Brynes, David Hammond, Bill Lyman, Curtis Lynch, Michael Schefers, Stuart Schwartzstein and Ward Smith. Members, Ben Baldwin, Bryan Bentz, Barbara McKrell and John Prue were absent.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Simmons at 7:00PM.

Mr. Lyman motioned to approve the minutes of the 12/7/15 meeting; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion was approved 8-0.

Mr. Simmons discussed his visits to various boards and commissions to discuss implementation of the Plan. Several boards will be visited over the next few months. Mr. Simmons discussed the Emergency Management Director's recent grant application for coastal emergency planning. The Town also received a grant from the Dept. of Housing to develop a Coastal Resiliency Plan which will implement some POCD tasks. Mr. Schefers will distribute information on CT Trust for Historic Preservation's grant program benefiting historic mill properties.

Mr. Lynch described the Planning and Zoning Commission's efforts in prioritizing their assigned tasks. Due to the large number, the Commission will first categorize them into 3 categories (economic development / regulatory changes / conservation) since many of tasks are interrelated. The Commission will select its highest priorities from each of these categories. Mr. Lynch has received input from EDC on the economic development related tasks. Mr. Schefers asked to be brought into PZC's discussions on implementation. The Committee discussed the need to resurrect the dormant "Permanent Committee to Study the Needs and Uses of Town Buildings" and form a Bicycle Task Force to help with implementation.

Mr. Lyman distributed an updated version of the Committee's Roles and Responsibilities. Mr. Lynch motioned to accept the changes to the document; seconded by Mr. Smith. The motion was approved 8-0.

The Committee's next meeting was scheduled for Monday March 7th, 7:00pm at the Human Services Building (if available). Meetings will generally be held on the 1st Monday of every other month.

Mr. Lynch motioned to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Schefers. The motion was approved 8-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:27PM

Respectfully submitted,

Keith A. Brynes, Town Planner