

Present: Chairman Michael Orefice, Lee Hall, Paul Roche, Roland Perreault, Alternate Member Debra Freidus and Land Use Coordinator Polly Redmond

1. **OPEN MEETING – ESTABLISH QUORUM.**

Chairman Orefice called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All members present are seated with Alternate Member D. Freidus seated for the vacant regular member position.

2. **APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: 6/10/15**

P. Roche **motioned** to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, seconded by R. Perreault. Motion passed unanimously with L. Hall refraining from vote due to his absence at the previous meeting.

3. **8-24 REFERRAL TO BOARD OF SELECTMEN ON ADDITION TO LIBRARY, 80 BENTLEY DRIVE. PRESENTED BY HARWINTON LIBRARY BUILDING COMMITTEE.**

Leslie Flowers and Barbara Buss, members of the Library Building Committee are present. Plans by Milone & MacBroom titled Topographic Survey, Site Plan Layout and Landscaping and Site Plan Grading are reviewed. It is noted that a part of the existing parking lot will be covered with the proposed addition but additional parking will be added with 13 diagonal parking spaces added to the south side of the library. The main entrance will be changed to the east side of the building via the new addition but the existing entrance will remain as an exit. There are 38 existing parking spaces for the library and the number will be increased to 43 parking spaces after the addition is complete. The CT State Library standards call for 3 parking spaces per 1000 square feet, equaling 36 parking spaces which the plan does exceed. Rain Gardens are being investigated for runoff from the parking lot. TAHD has been consulted with and has expressed no concerns. L. Flowers states that most of the addition will be used for community space with a designated teen area and a separate children's area proposed as well as new meeting space that will include more technology. Discussion on grant money takes place with L. Flowers stating that 20% of the project is grant-funded. The cost of the addition will be 5 million dollars with a million dollar grant from the state. Other contributions will be sought along with fundraising events to be held. P. Roche gives L. Flowers website information on contacting the Institute of Museum and Library Services for funding and grants. P. Roche **motioned** that based on plans presented for the expansion of the Harwinton Library and the proposal being consistent with the Plan of Conservation and Development (as noted on page 73), the Planning Commission gives a favorable referral with the recommendation that the Harwinton Library Building Committee should submit for as many grants as possible. D. Freidus seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

4. **OLD BUSINESS.** None.

5. **NEW BUSINESS.** None.

6. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS.** None.

7. **CORRESPONDENCE.** CT Landscaping Architect Magazine received.

8. **INVOICES.** None.

9. **ADJOURN.**

P. Roche **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m., seconded by R. Perreault. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Polly Redmond, Land Use Coordinator

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