

**TOWN PLAN & ZONING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
April 23, 2015**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Barry Berson called the regular meeting of the Town Plan & Zoning Commission to order at 7:02 pm in the Main Meeting Room at Bloomfield Town Hall. The following members were also present:

Mark Jacobs, Fannie Gabriel, Nicholas Panke, Byron Lester, Alfred Lefebvre, Abraham Ford, Barbara Reid and Daniel Mara. Also present were José Giner, Director of Planning.

II. APPROVAL OF February 26, 2015 MINUTES

Commissioner Gabriel moved to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2015. Commissioner Ford seconded the motion, and it carried with Commissioners Reid and Jacobs abstaining.

III. 8-24 REVIEW OF THE 2015-16 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET.

José Giner, Director of Planning presented a summary of the proposed Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Capital Improvements Budget that was presented by the Town Manager for approval as part of the annual budget meeting that would be held on May 4 at the High School Auditorium.

Chairman Berson questioned whether some of the items in the budget such as Public Works equipment and Senior Center vans should be considered capital improvements. After discussion *Commissioner Panke moved to recommend to the Town Council approval of the 2015-2016 Capital Improvement Budget as presented. Commissioner Gabriel seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously..*

IV. DISCUSSION OF POSSIBLE CHANGES TO THE ZONING REGULATIONS.

José Giner stated that he had some conversations regarding a possible development at Phoenix Crossing and the idea of flexible impervious coverage had come up. He asked the Commission if they thought it was worth the while to have him research what other Towns were doing to compare with Bloomfield. The consensus of the Commission was that it was worth a look to see what current best practices were.

Mr. Giner also brought up some issues that he had found regarding the raising of farm animals and said that he would like to research best practices on this a swell and present a recommendation to the Commission at a future meeting. It was the consensus of the Commission that this was also something that Mr. Giner could look at for recommendations.

V. PLANNER'S REPORT.

Mr. Giner informed updated the Commissioners on the status of Wintonbury Mall.

Mr. Giner also stated that he had received a request from the MDC for administrative approval for a Building to cover their existing Blowers and a Raw Water Bypass Vault. There were no objections to this being handled as an administrative approval.

Mr. Giner also presented plans for some minor changes to the approved site plan at 26 Tobey Road. The Commission had no objections to this being handled as an administrative approval as well.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Gabriel moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:10pm. Commissioner Panke seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Byron Lester, Secretary