Town of Glastonbury Community Beautification Committee Regular Meeting Minutes of Wednesday, February 12, 2020

1. Roll Call

Present: Robert Shipman, Chairman

Della Winans, Vice Chairman Jarrod Sansoucy, Secretary

Candice Mark

Absent: Linda DeGroff

Debra DeVries-Dalton

Kate Morgan

2. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

- a. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 8, 2020 APPROVED
- b. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 12, 2020 APPROVED
- 3. 103 HOUSE STREET landscaping for 17, two-bedroom townhomes within 3 buildings and associated parking Town Center Zone Alter & Pearson, LLC Thomas Graceffa, Landscape Architect Coleman Associates, LLC, applicant

Bob requested a change from the 6 white pines on the plan to something that would not lose lower limbs as it matures. Suggestions of using a mix of Serbian spruce and concolor were made.

Candice and Jarrod requested changing the sea oats grass for a variety that would be hardier; *Hakonechloa* was suggested in its place.

Jarrod made motion to accept the plan with the two changes. Della seconded, all in favor 4-0.

The Committee also commended the choice of architecture and landscape.

 233 EASTERN BOULEVARD – landscaping at a 55-space parking lot for Central Rock Gym, located at 259 Eastern Boulevard – Planned Employment Zone & Groundwater Protection (overlay) Zone 1 – Alter & Pearson, LLC – Thomas Graceffa, Landscape Architect - Eastern Ave Holdings, LLC, applicant/landowner – Tammy Villamizar, landowner

The Committee requested a change from the white pines to a mix of evergreens, as suggested for 103 House Street project, to Serbian spruce and color mix. Bob suggested changing out the maple trees as the neighborhood already has many; he suggested changing the 4 on the plan to *Nyssa Sylvatica*. It was also suggested to install mulch in the two parking lot islands and no plant material as these areas have heavy foot traffic and plants will not survive.

Candice made motion to accept the plan as shown. Della seconded; all in favor 4-0.

 2407 MAIN STREET – landscaping for expansion and renovation of the Welles-Turner Memorial Library – Reserved Land - Jesse Saylor, TSKP Architects – Kaitlyn Stublic, Langan Engineering - Dave Sacchitella & Barbara Bailey for the Town of Glastonbury, applicant

Greg was asked if he had any concerns with the amount of maintenance the plan required for his limited staff. He said the plan is beautiful and everyone agreed. Everyone loved the plants but would like to see less perennials that require more maintenance and more low maintenance shrubs to help lessen the work load.

Bob asked about the two beech trees impacted by the addition and would like to have them replanted on the property. He would also like to see the two beech trees on the north side to remain as is.

No motion was made. Bob asked that the applicants return with an alternative plan either at the next meeting or bring a revised plan to the Office of Community Development for Committee members to review as quick as possible to keep the project moving forward and on schedule.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

A special meeting with the Community Beautification Committee and the Conservation Commission is scheduled for Monday, March 23 at 7 o'clock in the evening in Meeting Room A, 2nd floor, Town Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jarrod Sansoucy