

Town of Montville
Planning and Zoning Commission
310 Norwich New London Turnpike
Uncasville, CT 06382

Meeting Minutes of
Tuesday, September 14, 2021 Special Meeting/Workshop

1. Call to Order: Chairman Pieniadz called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call: Present were Commissioners Pieniadz, Pike, Siragusa, Longton, Lundy, Kobyluck and Dushesneau. Also present was Assistant Planner Colleen Bezanson. Absent were Commissioner Estelle and Desjardins
4. New Business:
 - a. Plan of Conservation and Development 2021-2031 –This was a workshop to discuss the update of the 2010 Plan of Conservation and Development. A lengthy discussion was held between Assistant Planner and Commission Members. The Commission agreed that a minor technical update would be done now with the information provided by the previous Town Planner and a more comprehensive update will be done by the new Town Planner at a later date.
5. Other Business:
 - a. Bozrah Request for letter regarding OSWA Open Space Grant. The Town of Bozrah is asking for a letter of support from The Montville Planning and Zoning Commission to receive funding under CT DEEP Open Space and Watershed Acquisition (OSWA) Program. The funds will be used to purchase the Glemboski/Ous property. The property in Montville is 55+/- acres, Bozrah property is 105 +/- acres and together are 160 +/- acres of forested property. The Assistant Planner read the staff report and discussion was held.

Staff explained that the area would need to be removed from the Job Investment area on the Future Land Use Map in the proposed Plan of Conservation and Development and changed to an area for the Conservation of Resources. The property contains a CL& P easement, as well as, wetland systems which could limit the development of the property for activities other than conservation and recreation.

A MOTION was made by COMMISSIONER PIKE and seconded by COMMISSIONER SIRAGUSA that The Town of Montville Planning and Zoning Commission supports the Town of Bozrah's effort to obtain a CT DEEP Open Space and Watershed Land Acquisition Grant to acquire the Bertha Glemboski & Bety J Ous Estate property (062-003-000), +/- 55 acres in Oakdale, Connecticut.

This acquisition will expand the open space area of the Trading Cove Brook Watershed, allowing for permanent protection of drinking water source along with increasing recreational opportunities for the community, secure wildlife areas and allow for future expansions of a trail systems into the Milo Light Preserve. The property will be in conformance with the updated Plan of Conservation and Development.

ROLL CALL VOTE – Five (5) in FAVOR Two (2) OPPOSED (Commissioners Siragusa and Ducheneau)
5-2-0 Motion Carried

6. Adjournment 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Meredith Badalucca, Recording Secretary

Due to technical difficulties, there is no recording of this meeting.