

**EASTERN NORWALK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**December 10, 2008**

**Minutes**

**Board Member Attendees:** Diane Cece, Laurel Lindstrom (president), Art Santella, Marija Bryant, Zvi Cole, Nick Overall

**Board Members Absent:** none

**Advisory Board Member Attendees:** none

**Advisory Board Member Absent:** Peter Libre, Sarah Hunter, Gordon Tully

**Others:** John Deacy

**Author:** Nick Overall

- 1) Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM
- 2) Public Participation:
  - a) **Neighborhood Concern:** A resident noted that he is observing any suspicious activity near Gregory Boulevard as mentioned in the last meeting, and that he is keeping record.
  - b) **Localization Initiatives:** Nick Overall received an email from Jason Garnett requesting information and assistance from the ENNA. I will reply to him that he should present to us what information he would like to distribute or present via the ENNA. We will review and respond.
- 3) Minutes
  - a) November minutes approved as corrected.
- 4) President's Report – Laurel Lindstrom
  - a) None at this time
- 5) Treasurer's report – No new information
- 6) Regular Business:
  - a) Watch List Properties
    - i) **23 Platt Street:** No new information. There is an ongoing environmental investigation regarding harbor & shellfish area, no new meetings or public hearing scheduled yet.
    - ii) **201 Liberty Square:** Attendees report that property awning reflects new business name now "The Office". Diane reports that remonstrance successfully filed with Liquor Control and awaiting hearing date. In meantime, should monitor activities (liquor, police, health, fire) and collect additional petition signatures. Also, need to follow up with Health Department regarding food license and inspections. Diane will coordinate in January.
    - iii) **Fitch School Property:** still for sale - nothing new.
    - iv) **10 Goldstein:** rejected by zoning for numerous issues, may come back with revised plans.
    - v) **Stew Leonards Expansion:** Approved by zoning commission. Diane spoke to need to mitigate stormwater runoff, which was not a zoning condition, and that she forwarded info on green roof and rain water collection systems on to Doug Hempstead and Mike Greene in hopes of reducing runoff. Diane will follow up with Doug in several weeks to see if he discussed with Stews architects and engineers.
    - vi) **Gregory Blvd zoning change proposal:** review at P&Z 12/11 of change from Neighborhood Business to C Residential. Laurel will attend and/or get history and info from P&Z.

- vii) **East Ave Train:** Zvi contacted MetroNorth regarding shelter, but has not received response. Diane & Laurel suggest re-sending communication under ENNA if he did not already do so.
- viii) **High/Knight/North Zone change:** approved by zoning. Existing businesses "grandfathered". Marija reports that this will have positive impact on controlling expansion of the rock-crushing operations.
- ix)
- b) Neighborhood Issues/Committees
  - i) **Exit 16 and Planting:** Zvi spoke to Hal who spoke to state and Hal will be taking care of the exit adopt-a-spots.
  - ii) **East Norwalk / Ludlow Square:** (Nick) no update.
  - iii) **94 East Avenue:** Zvi reported property owners mowed and cleared and are painting - Nick reported that the property was recently sold.
  - iv) **Crime:** Diane gave update on CNNA Guardian Angels project and coordination with SONO residents and SONO faith-based service organizations. Will be informational forum sometime in January or February. Nick and Zvi spoke to rash of stolen bikes, and need for this info to be publicized for citizen awareness and criminal deterrent. Nick will contact Hour reporters and Lt. Paul Resnick.
  - v) **Traffic Calming:** Laurel reports on ongoing discussions on installation of round-abouts at Tierney and other possible locations. May not be enough publicly owned space at Tierney, but possible at County. Also reports that state will be moving ahead with new traffic lights and signalization at West Ave.
  - vi) **Flooding:** Diane reports that pipe work on Olmstead was scheduled for November start but no action seen. Some easements outstanding. Maybe will be postponed till spring due to winter conditions?
  - vii) **Hunting from Public Parks:** Laurel and all spoke to waterfowl hunting and gunshots at Vet Park - Art will continue to research any ordinances that prohibit transportation of firearms in city parks.
- c) c)Mayor's Neighborhood Preservation Committee Report – Diane will attend monthly meetings in Laurel's absence until further notice.
- d) CNNA Report – Tabled until next meeting.
  - i) e) Trees, Landscape & Adopt-A-Spots – Nick reports no new activity.
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- 7) Next regular board meeting: January 14, 2008
- 8) Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM

Submitted by Nick Overall