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**PLANNING AND ZONING MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 2, 2012**

Chairman Ackerman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at Mallory Town Hall. Commissioners present: Chairman Barbara Ackerman, Neil Volkmar, Ted Hollander, Jeannene Burruano, Paul Voorhees and alternates Jan Desiato, Mary Lee and Jill Finch. Also present was Ron Cooper, ZEO. Absent were Mark Weber, Monty Clark and Michele Battaglia, Clerk. There was no audience member recording or videotaping the meeting.

Public Hearing Continued

- 1. Application for a Special Permit for the Modification of Cell Tower at Happy Acres Farm, 2 Taber Road:** Derek Creaser & Anthony Mirando were in attendance representing AT&T. Mr. Creaser submitted a new plan that brings the antennae closer together. AT&T will also be replacing the existing mounts with new ones and the only items being added are three new antennae panels. Commissioner Voorhees questioned as to whether AT&T could create a stealth structure which would house the antennae and equipment. Mr. Creaser stated that the proposal is for the additional three antennae that were in the original special permit and that what is being added is extremely minimal. It was suggested that the silo and the mounts be repainted all the same color. Commissioner Volkmar motioned to close the public hearing. Commissioner Hollander seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Old Business

- 1. Application for a Special Permit for the Modification of Cell Tower at Happy Acres Farm, 2 Taber Road:** Discussion was held on the proposal to add three antennae to the existing antennae array in the least obtrusive way. Commissioner Hollander made a motion to grant the special permit with the following conditions: the tops of the antennae array to be aligned; the silo be painted blue and the lettering "Happy Acres" be painted white; the new panels be the same color as the existing panels; the cabinets and fence be constructed as shown on page 3 of the drawings (revised date of 1/31/12) submitted into record on February 2, 2012; there be no modifications without appearing before the P&Z Commission; and no modifications will inhibit the current use of the silo. Commissioner Volkmar seconded the motion. The motion was passed by a vote of 6 to 1.

Additional Items

- 1. Audience Participation:** There was no audience participation.
- 2. Minutes:** Commissioner Hollander motioned to accept the meeting minutes of January 5, 2012 and January 7, 2012. Commissioner Volkmar seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
- 3. Correspondence:** There was a letter from the Connecticut Society of Civil Engineers and a brochure from The Connecticut Economy.
- 4. Zoning Enforcement Officer's Report:** Ron Cooper, ZEO reviewed the January 2012 ZEO report.
- 5. Committee Reports:** There were no committee reports.
- 6. Chairman's Report:** There were no comments.

7. Commissioner's Comments: There were no comments.

Commissioner Volkmar motioned for adjournment. Commissioner Hollander seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

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