

**Town of Sherman
Planning & Zoning Commission
MID- MONTHLY MEETING
August 15, 2013, 7:00 pm
Mallory Town Hall**

FINAL

Commissioners in Attendance: Commissioners Barbara Ackerman, Ted Hollander, Monty Clark, Neil Volkmar, John Paul Voorhees, Mary Lee, Jeannene Burruano and Alternates Marc Sichel, Jill Finch and Jan Desiato

Also in attendance: Ron Cooper, Zoning Enforcement Officer and Christine Branson, P&Z Administrative Clerk.

Call to Order

Chairman B. Ackerman called the Meeting to Order at 7:06 p.m.

Public Hearing

Gorman, Ralph- 32 RT 37 East, Sherman, CT aka- Map 18, Lot 4) Application New Cingular wireless PCS LLC (AT&T) Application for a Special Permit to expand the existing wireless telecommunication facility at White Silo Farm.

Atty. Alexander of Cuddy & Feder spoke on behalf of the application. AT&T is seeking approval to add a tier on internal antennas inside of the existing silo and a 12' x 20' equipment shelter to the existing barn and silo footprint which will require two variances from ZBA. The plan has been modified to fit in with a barn setting. Atty. Alexander stated the current regulations unrealistically confine the space allowed for add on carriers. The Commission requested the electric panel be moved to a less visible side of the proposed shelter.

Commissioner T. Hollander Made a Motion to continue the Public Hearing of Gorman, Ralph- 32 RT 37 East, Sherman, CT aka- Map 18, Lot 4): Application New Cingular wireless PCS LLC (AT&T) Application for a Special Permit to expand the existing wireless telecommunication facility at White Silo Farm to the next Regular Meeting of September 19, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Seconded by: Commissioner M. Lee **Vote: For: Unanimous**

Old Business

16 Coote Hill Rd. Sherman, CT (aka- Map 51, Lot 28) New Singular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T) Proposed Wireless Telecommunication Facility: Discussion purposes only.

Commissioner T. Hollander read into record a formal letter, attached herewith from the P&Z Commission to New Singular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T) Attention: Harry Carry and Atty. Fisher, pointing to several issues with the proposed site such as: integrity of the existing bridge; limited access to the land; actual benefit to the Town; clearing of excess trees; intensifying an existing run-off problem and other environmental concerns. Atty. Fischer of Cuddy and Feder spoke on behalf of the proposed cell tower, suggesting the Commission recommend a list of Municipal Preferred sites to the First Selectman, AT&T and CT Siting Council. Alternate locations were discussed. The Commission agreed to form an ad hoc Committee to gather information with the intent to provide the First Selectman, the CT Siting Council, and AT&T alternate sites suitable for the proposed cell tower.

Minutes

Approval of Regular Monthly Meeting of August 1, 2013

Commissioner N. Volkmar Moved to Approve the Minutes of Regular Monthly Meeting of August 1, 2013 as amended.

Seconded by: Commissioner M. Lee **Vote: For: Unanimous**

Adjournment

Commissioner N. Volkmar Moved to Adjourn the Meeting at 10:15 p.m.

Seconded by: Commissioner M. Lee **Vote: For: Unanimous**

Respectfully submitted:



Christine Branson

August 22, 2013