

## Town Planner's Report 6/11/2014 – 7/8/2014

### Ongoing work:

- **Quinebaug Regional Technology Park (QRTP) & YMCA:**
  - Checked ongoing removal of earth material on the site.
  - Presently working with Town Counsel relative to passive recreation language for a portion of Parcel B on the approved QRTP subdivision plan, in accordance with the Record of Decision on the project.
  
- **Zoning Regulations and Map Comprehensive Amendment/Restatement:**
  - Drafted proposed minor amendments to the Regulations in accordance with evidence presented at the Public Hearing, and met with Town Counsel relative to these minor amendments.
  - Attended the Zoning Commission's June 18 meeting, at which the Comprehensive Amendment/Restatement of the Zoning Regulations and Map were approved with amendments.
  - Met with and corresponded with Town Counsel Re: format and content of notice to be published relative to the Zoning Commission's action on the Comprehensive Amendment/Restatement of the Zoning Regulations and Map.
  
- **Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD) Update:**
  - Continued background research for plan update.
  - Drafted a Transit subsection for incorporation into the Transportation section of the POCD, as referenced during the 5/12/14 POCD Update Committee meeting.
  - Attended a two-day American Planning Association workshop entitled *Comprehensive Planning for Sustainable Communities* on 6/16 and 6/17. Compiled a report on the conference for use and discussion by the POCD Update Committee at the July 2014 Committee meeting.
  - Contacted the POCD Update Committee Chairman to discuss agendas for present and future meetings, and put together and mailed preliminary package of information for the seventh POCD Committee meeting, which at this time is scheduled to be held on July 21, 2014.
  - Attended the Putnam Redevelopment Agency / Economic Development Commission meeting on 6/8, relative to any input to the POCD.

## **Other Projects/Tasks:**

- Continuing to monitor progress on CL&P's ongoing Interstate Reliability Project.
- Attended the Planning Commission meeting on 6/23. Distributed a draft of proposed updates to the Subdivision Regulations, which would include modernized construction standards and greater compliance with the recently passed Comprehensive Amendment/Restatement of the Zoning Regulations, in preparation for discussion at a future workshop with the Commission and subsequent hearing for adoption of updates to the Subdivision Regulations.
- Participated in several meetings among staff members and potential developers relative to construction or reconstruction activities in the industrial zone and within the Downtown area, including discussion of traffic issues associated with the Cargill Falls Mill project.
- Attended the Connecticut Chapter of the American Planning Association's annual June conference, entitled *Hot Topics in Land Use Law and Practice 2014*, on 6/13.