

TOWN/UNIVERSITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE
Tuesday, April 9, 2013
Audrey Beck Municipal Building, Council Chambers

Minutes

Present: J. Armstrong, P. Barry, B. Chandy, M. Hart, M. Kirk, E. Paterson, C. Paulhus, N. Silander, W. Simpson, W. Wendt

Staff: M. Capriola, L. Painter (*Town*), van Zelm (*MDP*)

1. Call To Order

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm.

2. March 12, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Simpson made the motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Silander. The minutes were approved as presented, with Barry abstaining and all others voting in favor (Chandy was not present for the vote).

3. Updates:

a. *Mansfield Downtown Partnership:* van Zelm provided updates on apartment rental and commercial leasing, public infrastructure projects, crosswalk installation, and installation of handicapped accessible parking spaces.

b. *MCCP:* Armstrong has continued to meet with area property managers regarding potential April off-campus activity. Celeron recently hosted a fire safety inspection and education program sponsored by the Town.

c. *Water Supply EIE:* Staff is still working on responding to public comments received on the Water Supply EIE. The EIE is tentatively expected to be completed this month. The Committee will look to submit a record of decision in the June-July timeframe. The Town is looking for legal/technical assistance on water system governance options.

d. *Mansfield Tomorrow:* Painter provided an update on recent and upcoming workshop and focus group events.

e. *Community-Campus Policing:* Tabled to next meeting.

4. Municipal Capital Project Update

Tabled to next meeting.

5. Next Generation Connecticut

Kirk stated that a vote on the initiative is expected within the next few days.

6. Other Business Announcements

Hart and Paterson provided an update on the Governor's proposed budget and legislator reactions. In particular, the PILOT revenue proposal and its impact on Mansfield were discussed.

7. Opportunity for the Public to Address the Committee

Quentin Kessel, Codfish Falls Road. Mr. Kessel disclosed his affiliation with the Conservation Commission and the Mansfield Tomorrow initiative but indicated he was speaking as an individual. Mr. Kessel advocated for the UConn Main Accumulation Area to be located outside of a public water supply watershed.

8. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Maria E. Capriola, M.P.A.
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