

Listing of all Boards & Commissions with Their Charge

Affordable Housing Committee

Charge: Provide a leadership role in implementing the housing compact, propose to make recommendations to the Town Council in an effort to meet Tolland's affordable housing goals as outlined in the capitol region housing compact.

of Members: 7

Aquifer Protection Agency

Charge: The Planning & Zoning Commission has been designated by the Town Council as the Municipal Aquifer Agency to implement the DEP Aquifer Protection Program. This program limits high-risk land uses in critical areas that feed water to water supply wells to prevent contamination of public drinking water supplies. After the water company provides Level A mapping of the stratified drift wellhead protection area, the agency will:

- A. Adopt local Aquifer Protection Area regulations consistent with state regulations;
- B. Delineate Aquifer Protection Areas on the town zoning map;
- C. Regulate land use activity within the Aquifer protection Areas including:
 - 1. Registering existing regulated activities;
 - 2. Issuing permits for new regulated activities;
 - 3. Inspecting regulated facilities.
- D. Inspect Aquifer Protection Areas.

of Members: 5

of Alternates: 2

Board of Assessment Appeals

Charge: To serve as an appeal body for taxpayers who believe that the Assessor erred in the valuation of their property or erroneously denied them exemptions.

of Members: 3

of Alternates: 2

Board of Building Appeals

Charge: To serve as an appeals board for a contractor that has an issue with a decision of the Building Inspector.

of Members: 5

Board of Education

Charge:

A. Each local or regional board of education shall maintain good public elementary and secondary schools, implement the educational interests of the state as defined in section 10-4a and provide such other educational activities as in its judgment will best serve the interests of the school district; provided any board of education may secure such opportunities in another school district in accordance with provisions of the general statutes and shall give all the children of the school district as nearly equal advantages as may be practicable; shall provide an appropriate learning environment for its students which includes

1. adequate instructional books, supplies, materials, equipment, staffing, facilities and technology
2. equitable allocation of resources among its schools
3. proper maintenance of facilities, and
4. a safe school setting

shall have charge of the schools of its respective school district; shall make a continuing study of the need for school facilities and of a long-term school building program and from time to time make recommendations based on such study to the town; shall adopt and implement an indoor air quality program that provides for ongoing maintenance and facility reviews necessary for the maintenance and improvement of the indoor air quality of its facilities; shall report biennially to the Commissioner of Education on the condition of its facilities and the action taken to implement its long-term school building program and indoor air quality program, which report the Commissioner of Education shall use to prepare a biennial report that said commissioner shall submit in accordance with section 11-4a to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education; shall advise the Commissioner of Education of the relationship between any individual school building project pursuant to chapter 173 and such long-term school building program; shall have the care, maintenance and operation of buildings, lands, apparatus and other property used for school purposes and at all times shall insure all such buildings and all capital equipment contained therein against loss in an amount not less than eighty per cent of replacement cost; shall determine the number, age and qualifications of the pupils to be admitted into each school; shall develop and implement a written plan for minority staff recruitment for purposes of subdivision (3) of section 10-4a; shall employ and dismiss the teachers of the schools of such district subject to the provisions of sections 10-151 and 10-158a; shall designate the schools which shall be attended by the various children within the school district;

shall make such provisions as will enable each child of school age, residing in the district to attend some public day school for the period required by law and provide for the transportation of children wherever transportation is reasonable and desirable, and for such purpose may make contracts covering periods of not more than five years; may place in an alternative school program or other suitable educational program a pupil enrolling in school who is nineteen years of age or older and cannot acquire a sufficient number of credits for graduation by age twenty-one; may arrange with the board of education of an adjacent town for the instruction therein of such children as can attend school in such adjacent town more conveniently; shall cause each child five years of age and over and under eighteen years of age who is not a high school graduate and is living in the school district to attend school in accordance with the provisions of section 10-184, and shall perform all acts required of it by the town or necessary to carry into effect the powers and duties imposed by law.

- B. The board of education of each local or regional school district shall, with the participation of parents, students, school administrators, teachers, citizens, local elected officials and any other individuals or groups such board shall deem appropriate, prepare a statement of educational goals for such local or regional school district. The statement of goals shall be consistent with state-wide goals pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10-4. Each local or regional board of education shall develop student objectives which relate directly to the statement of educational goals prepared pursuant to this subsection and which identify specific expectations for students in terms of skills, knowledge and competence.
- C. Annually, each local and regional board of education shall submit to the Commissioner of Education a strategic school profile report for each school under its jurisdiction and for the school district as a whole. The superintendent of each local and regional school district shall present the profile report at the next regularly scheduled public meeting of the board of education after each November first. The profile report shall provide information on measures of
 - 1. student needs
 - 2. school resources, including technological resources and utilization of such resources and infrastructure
 - 3. student and school performance
 - 4. equitable allocation of resources among its schools
 - 5. reduction of racial, ethnic and economic isolation, and
 - 6. special education. For purposes of this subsection, measures of special education include:
 - a. special education identification rates by disability
 - b. rates at which special education students are exempted from mastery testing pursuant to section 10-14q
 - c. expenditures for special education, including such expenditures as a percentage of total expenditures
 - d. achievement data for special education students
 - e. rates at which students identified as requiring special education are no longer identified as requiring special education

- f. the availability of supplemental educational services for students lacking basic educational skills
 - g. the amount of special education student instructional time with nondisabled peers
 - h. the number of students placed out-of-district, and
 - i. the actions taken by the school district to improve special education programs, as indicated by analyses of the local data provided in subparagraphs a to h, inclusive, of this subdivision. The superintendent shall include in the narrative portion of the report information about parental involvement and if the district has taken measures to improve parental involvement, including, but not limited to, employment of methods to engage parents in the planning and improvement of school programs and methods to increase support to parents working at home with their children on learning activities.
- D. Prior to January 1, 2008, and every five years thereafter, for every school building that is or has been constructed, extended, renovated or replaced on or after January 1, 2003, a local or regional board of education shall provide for a uniform inspection and evaluation program of the indoor air quality within such buildings, such as the Environmental Protection Agency's Indoor Air Quality Tools for Schools Program. The inspection and evaluation program shall include, but not be limited to, a review, inspection or evaluation of the following:
- 1. the heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems
 - 2. radon levels in the water and the air
 - 3. potential for exposure to microbiological airborne particles, including, but not limited to, fungi, mold and bacteria
 - 4. chemical compounds of concern to indoor air quality including, but not limited to, volatile organic compounds
 - 5. the degree of pest infestation, including, but not limited to, insects and rodents
 - 6. the degree of pesticide usage
 - 7. the presence of and the plans for removal of any hazardous substances that are contained on the list prepared pursuant to Section 302 of the federal Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act, 42 USC 9601 et seq.
 - 8. ventilation systems
 - 9. plumbing, including water distribution systems, drainage systems and fixtures
 - 10. moisture incursion
 - 11. the overall cleanliness of the facilities
 - 12. building structural elements, including, but not limited to, roofing, basements or slabs
 - 13. the use of space, particularly areas that were designed to be unoccupied and
 - 14. the provision of indoor air quality maintenance training for building staff.

Local and regional boards of education conducting evaluations pursuant to this subsection shall make available for public inspection the results of the inspection and evaluation at a regularly scheduled board of education meeting.

of Members: 9

Cable Advisory Board

Charge: To give advice to the management of the cable television company upon such matters affecting the public as it deems necessary.

of Members: 2 (population of at least 5,000 but less than 20,000)

Central Regional Tourism District

Charge: Attend Regional Tourism meetings as a representative of Tolland.

of Members: 1

Conservation Commission

Charge:

- A. Shall conduct research with the utilization and possible utilization of land areas of the Town of Tolland.
- B. Shall keep, update and maintain an index of all open areas, publicly or privately owned, including open marshlands swamps and other wetlands areas.
- C. Shall be granted the opportunity to review proposals and make recommendations on appropriate land use as it relates to Conservation Commission goals and objectives. Town boards and commissions may refer issues to the Conservation Commission for comments and the commission may request referrals. If the Conservation Commission deems the proposal or referral of significance to its goals, it may choose to comment.
- D. Shall develop conservation education programs for the Tolland community.
- E. Shall serve as an active participant in grant writing activities. With prior approval of Town Council it may pursue state, federal, or other types of grants, which are consistent with furthering Conservation Commission goals.
- F. It may explore cooperative relationships with area land trusts and other conservation organizations and foster any activity in Town where information concerning land trusts is made available to Town landowners.
- G. For parcels purchased or donated as permanently protected conservation land, the Conservation Commission shall:
 - 1. Be considered the Council's conservation advisory commission and assume oversight responsibility for the aforementioned.
 - 2. Defer the establishment of the use classification for newly acquired parcels until a survey/use plan can be created.

3. Survey each parcel added to the inventory and categorize each by type, uniqueness, damage sensitivity, connectivity, management needs, and use elasticity.
 4. Define each parcel's best potential use(s) and/or activity level and recommend a use and management plan to the Council.
 5. Designate an organization to provide training and assistance to property stewards in the implementation of approved management plans.
 6. Recommend potential stewardship arrangements or other means of implementation of each parcel's specific use and management plan to the Council.
 7. Appoint a head steward from the designated organization every two years, taking into consideration the recommendation of the existing property stewards in accordance with the open space management guidelines and process no later than the 30th day of January of even-numbered years.
 8. Coordinate all work done by the designated organization according to the approved management plan and implementation schedule.
 9. Report periodically on the overall Plan of Conservation and actions taken to achieve charge goals.
- H. For all other municipal use open space land acquired by the Town, the Conservation Commission shall be encouraged to review all such parcels to determine if any potential areas exist which fit the greenways or conservation plans and may merit special attention, treatment or management.
- I. For all development and subdivision proposals, the Conservation Commission shall be encouraged to provide input for consideration prior to any decisions as to open space acceptance or payments in lieu of arrangements.
- J. Other powers and duties consistent with CGS §7-131a may be assigned to this Commission by the Town Council.

of Members: 7

of Alternates: 2

Design Advisory Board

Charge: The Tolland Planning & Zoning Commission, in accordance with CGS 8-2 shall require design review for all new construction and all substantial alterations (10% or greater floor area or exterior alteration) of non-residential and multi-family structures.

The Design Advisory Board, established on November 1, 2000, shall serve as an advisory body to the Commission consisting of a minimum of 3 and maximum of 10 members appointed to three year terms. Members of the Board shall be especially qualified by reason of training or experience in architecture, site planning, landscape architecture, historic preservation, professional engineering, graphic or visual arts or other fields as determined by the Planning & Zoning Commission.

The purpose of the Design Advisory Board is to provide guidance with the site plan and architectural design of buildings and structures to be in harmony with the character of the neighborhood and surrounding uses, preserve and improve the appearance and beauty of the community, and protect property values and Tolland's architectural heritage.

of Members: currently 6 (minimum of 3 and maximum of 10)

Economic Development Commission

Charge: To promote the economic conditions and trends in its municipality, shall make recommendations to appropriate officials and agencies of its municipality regarding action to improve its economic condition and development, shall seek to coordinate the activities of and cooperate with unofficial bodies organized to promote such economic development and may advertise and may prepare, print and distribute books, maps, charts and pamphlets which in its judgment will further its official purposes.

of Members: 5

of Alternates: 2

Historic District Commission

Charge:

- A. To hear and decide applications for certificates of appropriateness.
- B. To hear and decide applications to vary or modify strict adherence to the requirements of this chapter.
- C. To designate application forms and procedure and to set an application fee not to exceed the costs of publication of necessary legal notices.
- D. To make periodic reports to the legislative body.
- E. To provide information to property owners and others involving the preservation of the district.

- F. To suggest pertinent legislation.
- G. To initiate planning and zoning proposals.
- H. To cooperate with other regulatory agencies and civic organizations and groups interested in historic preservation.
- I. To comment on all applications for zoning variances and special exceptions where they affect historic districts.
- J. To render advice only on sidewalk construction and repair, tree planting, street improvements, storm drainage devices, curbs, street parking and traffic flow.
- K. To furnish information and advisory assistance in connection with any capital improvements programs involving the Historic District that is not otherwise subject to this chapter.
- L. To consult with groups of experts.
- M. To exercise any other powers granted to historic district commissions pursuant to the Connecticut General Statutes, §7-147a through 7-147k, not inconsistent with the terms of this chapter.

of Members: 5

of Alternates: 3

Housing Authority

Charge: The purpose of the Housing Authority is to ascertain the housing needs of our elderly citizens and to develop programs which will meet their needs. In addition, the Tolland Housing Authority is responsible for the management and maintenance of 30 units of housing referred to as Old Post Village.

of Members: 5

Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission

Charge:

- A. To carry out and effectuate the purposes and policies of sections 22a-36 to 22a-45a, inclusive, it is hereby declared to be the public policy of the state to require municipal regulation of activities affecting the wetlands and watercourses within the territorial limits of the various municipalities or districts.

- B. At least one member of the inland wetlands agency or staff of the agency shall be a person who has completed the comprehensive training program developed by the commissioner pursuant to section 22a-39.

of Members: 5

of Alternates: 2

Land Acquisition

Charge: The Land Acquisition Committee assists the municipality to acquire or develop any agricultural, recreational or open space land or to assist the municipality to acquire any easements, interest or rights therein and to enter into covenants and agreements with owners of such land or interests therein to acquire, maintain, improve, protect, limit the future use of or otherwise conserve such land.

of Members: 5

Library Board

Charge: The Library Board shall advise the Council on matters affecting the Town Library and shall perform any other duties as may be given it by the Council.

of Members: 6

Non-Profit Housing Corporation

Charge: The ownership, construction, rehabilitation, management and operation of low and moderate income family housing as approved by the sole member (Town Council).

of Members: 7

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

Charge:

- A. Use appropriate techniques and identify community recreation needs.
- B. Review the physical facilities as they relate to recreation and parks and programs of the Town of Tolland.

- C. Develop proposals as to the improvement of the facilities and programs as they relate to parks and recreation.
- D. Advise the Town Manager on new projects, coordinating existing services and strengthening park and recreation programs.
- E. Interact as necessary with other Town boards, commissions and responsible community organizations concerned with issues related to parks and recreation.
- F. Be available for consultation with the Town Council on parks and recreation related matters and make appropriate recommendations.
- G. Recommend the adoption of rules, regulations and ordinances relative to the use and improvement of parks and recreation properties.
- H. Make an annual report to the Town Council in November on the Board's actions, or when requested.
- I. Perform other services related to parks and recreation as assigned to it by the Town Council.

of Members: 7

Permanent Celebration Committee

Charge: To recognize, accommodate and foster pride and patriotism among the citizens of Tolland in our nation, our state and our Town and to demonstrate evidence thereof through the development and conduct of programs and activities.

of Members: currently 6 (not fewer than 5 nor more than 7 members)

Planning & Zoning Commission

Charge: Outlined in the Connecticut General Statutes, the Planning and Zoning Commission prepares, adopts and amends a plan of conservation and development for the municipality, showing the commission's recommendation for the most desirable use of land within the municipality for residential, recreational, commercial, industrial, conservation and other purposes and for the most desirable density of population in several parts of the municipality. This is accomplished through regulations made in accordance with the Plan of Conservation and Development plan and designed to lessen congestion in the streets; to promote health and the general welfare; to prevent the overcrowding of land; to avoid undue concentration of population and to facilitate the adequate provision for transportation, water, sewerage, schools, parks and other public requirements.

of Members: 5

of Alternates: 2

Teen Center – Board of Directors

Charge: To promulgate rules and regulations for the use of the Tolland Teen Center for special events. Said Board shall work with the Teen Center Coordinator in the preparation of the annual Teen Center budget and the establishment of annual membership dues and other applicable fee schedules, if any. Said Board will develop and approve appropriate programs and activities.

of Members: 5

Tolland Economic & Community Development Corporation

Charge:

- A. Advance the economic development and public welfare of the Town of Tolland by promoting and assisting the growth and development of businesses, including small business concerns. The principal objectives of the Corporation shall be to benefit the community by increasing employment opportunities and expansion of business and industry in that area of the Town of Tolland known as the Gateway Design District, located at the interstate interchange entrances to the community.
- B. Promote planned growth by development of business facilities through planning, financing, designing, constructing, owning and operating facilities, to promote businesses to operate in Tolland's Gateway Design District and to create and maintain employment opportunities.
- C. In addition to its role as a redevelopment agency in the northwest quadrant of the Gateway Zone, the TECDC is encouraged and charged with the mission of developing working relationships with the individuals and agencies within the University of Connecticut responsible for activities involving economic and business development, for the purpose of joint discussions and activities that lead to the development of a high technology business corridor stretching from the University of Connecticut to Tolland via Route 195.
- D. Assure the financial viability and to promote the community economic well being of the Town of Tolland while improving the quality of life of all its residents.
- E. Preserve and expand the tax base of the Town of Tolland.
- F. Promote job opportunities within the Town of Tolland.

- G. Increase and coordinate the flow of economic development and related funds to be used in the implementation of programs and projects consistent with the other purposes of the Corporation.
- H. Establish a framework within which coordination of public and private sector efforts may be facilitated in order to accomplish the purposes of this Corporation.
- I. Assist the Town of Tolland in the planning and development of projects and other activities to accomplish the purposes of the Corporation.
- J. Act as a development agency for the Town of Tolland pursuant to Chapter 132 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended from time to time.
- K. Engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be formed under Chapter 602 of the Connecticut General Statutes, provided such act or activity is consistent with the purposes otherwise set forth herein.
- L. Notwithstanding any other provision herein, the Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future tax code.

of Members: 7

Tolland Energy Task Force

Charge: To promote the efficient use of energy and natural resources, which is in the best interest of the protection and enhancement of the Town’s environment, economy as well as the health of the current and future generation of residents.

of Members: currently 11 (not more than 13)

Tolland Housing Rehabilitation Committee

Charge: To oversee and assist in the administration of the Housing Rehabilitation Program to ensure that policy is meeting the program objectives through the following ways:

- A. Shall coordinate efforts with the staff and citizens of Tolland to develop the program policy and procedures that will be consistent with the specific needs of the community.
- B. Shall review and recommend policy and procedure guidelines and amendments as deemed necessary for an effective program to the Town Council.

- C. Shall meet on an as-needed basis to review the program's action and progress.
- D. Shall hear appeals concerning the policies or procedures of the program. However, a waiver of policy may be authorized only after approval by 2/3 majority vote of the Tolland Housing Rehabilitation Committee members present and voting at a duly warned regular or special meeting.
- E. Shall function in an advisory capacity for all matters not specified in the guidelines that may come before the rehabilitation staff.
- F. Shall report to the Town Council as requested.

of Members: 9

Tolland Public Library Foundation, Inc. (Board of Directors)

Charge:

- A. To accept gifts, bequests, devises, with or without restrictions, on such terms as the members deem advisable.
- B. To restrict any gift, devise or bequest to be a part of an endowment and to adopt policies for the use of the income or principal of said endowment.
- C. To establish two types of funds. The first and primary fund shall be the endowment fund or funds, which shall be invested for the highest possible income of good security, the income of which only shall be transferred to the second fund. The second fund shall be the working fund from which all purchases and expenses shall be paid. It shall receive the earnings of the endowment funds and all such incidental gifts and income that may be found too small to constitute the formation of an endowment fund and whose donors have expressed no desire as to the disposition of such funds.

of Members: currently 7 (not less than 5 nor more than 7 Directors)

Tolland Water Commission

Charge: To have charge of and be responsible for the layout, construction and installation, operation and use, maintenance, improvement, extension or discontinuance of, and shall have full authority and jurisdiction over, all water systems appurtenances and facilities owned by the Town of Tolland. Said Commission shall have the authority to enter into contracts with the Town of Tolland or any outside entity for the purpose of fulfilling its responsibilities as described herein. Said Commission shall have the power in the name of the Town and subject to any appropriate provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes to acquire real property or any interest therein by purchase, lease, gift, devise or condemnation, as to

condemnation where fee simple interest in the property is required, as approved by the Council, necessary for or incidental to the carrying out of the powers enumerated in this section of this chapter; to set rates and fees for use of water or to connect to the system; and to assess benefits and damages in the layout of any improvements included within the scope of the powers herein granted, in such manner as hereinafter set forth.

of Members: 7

Town Attorney

Charge: The Town Attorney shall appear for and protect the rights of the Town in all actions, suits or proceedings brought by or against it or any department, office, agency, board or commission. The Town Attorney shall be the legal advisor of the Council, Manager and all officers, boards and commissions in all matters affecting the Town and shall, upon written request, furnish them with a written opinion on any question of law involving their respective power and duties. Copies of all opinions shall be forwarded to the Council. Upon request by the Council, the Town Attorney shall prepare or approve forms of contract or other instruments to which the Town is a party or in which it has an interest. The Town Attorney shall have powers, with the approval of the Council, to appeal from orders, decisions and judgments and to compromise or settle any claims by or against the Town.

of Members: 1

Town Council

Charge: The Council shall enact, amend or repeal ordinances; to create or abolish, by ordinance, boards, commissions, departments and offices; and the Council shall, upon the recommendation of the Town Manager, contract for services. The Council shall assure the existence of a Council-approved Town of Tolland Personnel Policies Manual which shall be kept current through the Town Manager's Office. All updates to the Personnel Policies Manual shall be approved by the Council.

If the Council adopts any federal or state code, there shall be maintained at least two copies of such code, rules or regulations in the office of the Town Clerk for examination by the public. The Council by resolution may regulate the internal operation of non-elected boards, commissions and offices and fix the compensation of the Town Manager, the officers and all employees as hereinafter provided in the Charter. The Council may fix the charges to be made for services rendered by the Town. The Council shall appropriate a reasonable amount of money to fund the Planning and Zoning Commission's work on the Town Plan of Development.

of Members: 7

Town of Tolland Ethics Commission

Charge: High ethical standards among public employees and public officials are essential for the proper conduct of democratic government so that citizens will have confidence that action by such employees, officials and consultants is always intended to be in the public interest and not for illicit personal gain. This code of ethics sets such standards and provides guidance to Town employees and officials with respect to ethical matters.

of Members: 3

Town of Tolland Route 195 Corridor Study Steering Committee

Charge: The Connecticut Department of Transportation (ConnDOT), the Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) will develop a Corridor Improvement and Management Plan for a 2.7 mile segment of Route 195. The Plan will address three distinct adjacent areas identified along the corridor: village center, gateway design and neighborhood commercial. The Plan will establish goals, objectives and vision for the corridor and will identify near- and long-term improvements to the existing transportation network and strategies for managing growth consistent with the vision of the corridor. An evaluation of the existing transportation network and the challenges it will face in the future will serve as the basis for the identification of improvements capable of enhancing corridor operations for pedestrians and drivers while simultaneously addressing transportation delays.

The scope of this project includes several tasks including public involvement, data collection regarding corridor transportation facilities and land use, analysis of current and future corridor conditions and identification and development of alternative approaches. The Plan will serve as a guide to better integrate the transportation network with the corridor's land use.

of Members: 7 voting members which consists of 2 Town Council members, Town Manager, Chair of the Tolland Economic & Community Development Corp., a member from the Historic District Commission, a former Town Council member and a business owner and resident who resides on the Town Green; Town staff members and members from ConnDOT and CRCOG.

Veteran's Recognition Commission

Charge: To recognize, honor and memorialize those citizens of Tolland who have or are serving in military.

of Members: 5

Water Pollution Control Authority

Charge:

- A. Any municipality by its water pollution control authority may acquire, construct and operate a sewerage system or systems; may enter upon and take and hold by purchase, condemnation or otherwise the whole or any part of any real property or interest therein which it determines is necessary or desirable for use in connection with any sewerage system; may establish and revise rules and regulations for the supervision, management, control, operation and use of a sewerage system, including rules and regulations prohibiting or regulating the discharge into a sewerage system of any sewage or any stormwater runoff which in the opinion of the water pollution control authority will adversely affect any part or any process of the sewerage system except that any such rule or regulation regarding decentralized systems shall be approved by the local director of health before such rule or regulation may be effective; may enter into and fulfill contracts, including contracts for a term of years, with any person or any other municipality or municipalities to provide or obtain sewerage system service for any sewage, and may make arrangements for the provision or exchange of staff services and equipment with any person or any other municipality or municipalities, or for any other lawful services. The water pollution control authority of any municipality planning to acquire, construct or operate a new or additional sewerage system shall consider the feasibility of using the sewage collected by such system as an energy source for the generation of electricity or the production of other energy sources. The water pollution control authority may establish rules for the transaction of its business. It shall keep a record of its proceedings and shall designate an officer or employee to be the custodian of its books, papers and documents. No person shall have a right to a hearing or an appeal in the manner provided in sections 22a-436 and 22a-437 from a decision of a water pollution control authority to deny a permit or issue an order unless such water pollution control authority was delegated authority by the commissioner pursuant to section 22a-430 to make the decision that is the subject of such hearing or appeal.
- B. Following approval of an engineering report by the Commissioner of Environmental Protection that includes concurrence with such approval by the Commissioner of Public Health, and in consultation with the local director of health, a municipality, acting in conjunction with its water pollution control authority may, by ordinance, establish geographical areas of decentralized wastewater management districts within such municipality.

1. Such ordinance may also include, following the approval of such ordinance by the local director of health pursuant to such director's authority under section 19a-207: (A) Remediation and technical standards for the design and construction of subsurface sewage disposal systems that are more stringent than those imposed by the Public Health Code; (B) authority for the local director of health to order the upgrade of subsurface sewage disposal systems in accordance with such remediation and technical standards; (C) authority for the local director of health to establish criteria for the abandonment of substandard subsurface sewage disposal systems; (D) authority for the local director of health to order the property owner of a substandard subsurface sewage disposal system that does not comply with such remediation standards, technical standards or other criteria to abandon such substandard subsurface sewage disposal system thus allowing the water pollution control authority to order such owner to connect to a sewerage system pursuant to section 7-257; (E) standards established by the local director of health for the effective supervision, management, control, operation and maintenance of managed subsurface sewage disposal systems within such decentralized wastewater management districts; or (F) authority for the water pollution control authority to enact and amend regulations, following the approval of such regulations by the local director of health, that govern the supervision, management, control, operation and maintenance of such decentralized systems.
2. Such ordinance shall include remediation standards for the design, construction and installation of alternative sewage treatment systems and standards for the effective supervision, management, control, operation and maintenance of alternative sewage treatment systems within such decentralized wastewater management districts that are consistent with any permit, order or recommendation of the Commissioner of Environmental Protection.
3. Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, an area that is designated by ordinance of a municipality as a decentralized wastewater management district shall not be a public sewer for purposes of the Public Health Code.
4. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the authority of a local director of health, the Commissioner of Public Health or the Commissioner of Environmental Protection.

of Members: 5

of Alternates: 2

Zoning Board of Appeals

Charge:

- A. To hear and decide appeals where it is alleged that there is an error in any order, requirement or decision made by the official charged with the enforcement of Chapter 124 in the General Statutes or any bylaw, ordinance or regulation adopted under the provisions of this chapter.

- B. To determine and vary the application of the zoning bylaws, ordinances or regulations in harmony with their general purpose and intent and with due consideration for conserving the public health, safety, convenience, welfare and property values solely with respect to a parcel of land where, owing to conditions especially affecting such parcel but not affecting generally the district in which it is situated, a literal enforcement of such bylaws, ordinances or regulations would result in exceptional difficulty or unusual hardship so that substantial justice will be done and the public safety and welfare secured, provided that the zoning regulations may specify the extent to which uses shall not be permitted by variance in districts in which such uses are not otherwise allowed. No such board shall be required to hear any application for the same variance or substantially the same variance for a period of six months after a decision by the board or by a court on an earlier such application.

- C. Any variance granted by a zoning board of appeals shall run with the land and shall not be personal in nature to the person who applied for and received the variance. A variance shall not be extinguished solely because of the transfer of title to the property or the invalidity of any condition attached to the variance that would affect the transfer of the property from the person who initially applied for and received the variance.

- D. Location of motor vehicle uses. The ZBA shall have the authority to hear and decide upon all requests for certificates of approval for motor vehicle sales, service and repair uses in accordance with Sec. 14-54 and Sec. 14-321 of the C.G.S. Such authority shall not supersede the Commission's authority to hear and decide upon requests for special permits for such uses.

of Members: 5

of Alternates: 2