

**NOTES OF THE CHESHIRE TOWN COUNCIL SITE VISIT HELD ON TUESDAY,  
AUGUST 22, 2017 AT 5:30 P.M. CHESHIRE CT 06410, AT THE CHAPMAN  
PROPERTY**

Present

Robert J. Oris, Jr., Chairman; Paul A. Bowman, Vice-Chairman; Councilors: Jeffrey Falk, Patti Flynn-Harris, Sylvia Nichols, Tim Slocum, Peter Talbot.

Parks & Rec Commission Members: James Nankin, Patrick Duffy, Michael O'Donnell, Steve Trifone and Dan Nowak.

Staff: Town Manager Michael A. Milone; Finance Director James Jaskot; PW Director George Noewatne; Mark Cunningham, Parks Division; Elizabeth Mayne, Parks and Rec Program Supervisor.

Guest: Attorney Matthew Hall and Keith Erikson, AES Remedial Technologies.

**1. ROLL CALL**

The clerk determined there was a quorum of the Town Council and Parks and Rec Commission present.

**2. SITE VISIT TO CHAPMAN PROPERTY**

PW Director Noewatne lead the group on the site visit leaving from the rear parking lot of the Community Pool through the path to the Chapman Property.

650 South Main Street/Chapman House – this house has asbestos on the siding and interior, water in the foundation(black tar); the house has a walk-out basement, a septic system that is higher than the basement; there can be digging around and into the foundation, and then shot blast the asbestos; the house can be demolished; costs would be in the tens of thousands range. Mr. Noewatne said the best economic choice is to demolish the house. The Town owns all the land beyond the Mill River, 7+ acres.

640 South Main Street “L” shaped house – this house has oil and contamination in the basement; windows have asbestos and lead paint; they will be removed from the house and all asbestos will be pulled out. Mr. Noewatne said it is the Council's decision to save this house, but noted there is not much left to be saved. The Town can demolish and dispose of this house.

630 South Main Street – this is the house on the front of the property facing South Main Street. This is the worst building on the property for remediation; it has interior and exterior lead paint, asbestos in the basement, foundation oil tank leaks, 100 cubic yards of contaminated soil in the basement. This house must come off its foundation and then be demolished. There is a pesticides area in the back of this house.

Red small building – this building was once used for sale of produce from the farm; the group looked at this barn style building; decision to be made on this building.

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There is \$300,000 being held from the Chapman payment pending remediation of the property and demolishing the 630 South Main house. The Town is responsible for other demolition costs, including 640 and 650 South Main Street houses.

The site visit ended at 6:35 p.m.

Attest:

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Marilyn W. Milton, Clerk