



## West Shore Neighborhood Association

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### Meeting Minutes August 4, 2005

**Meeting Title:** First Meeting **Meeting Time:** 7:00 PM  
**Location:** Margaret Egan Center, Milford, CT  
**Meeting Called By:** West Shore Neighborhood Association, Kim Rose, President  
**Facilitator:** Margaret Egan Center, Milford, CT  
**Note Taker:** Christine Dean, Secretary  
**Attendees:** See Attached Doc. #1

Meeting Called to Order: 7:15 pm

**Agenda:** See attached Doc. #2

Motion to deviate from agenda presented by A. Kocak and Seconded by S. Dean

**Topic: Ethics Committee**  
**Presenter: Michael Gallillo, Square Deal**

Discussion Notes: Spoke re: banning contractors, builders, real estate agents, etc. on Planning and Zoning, Sewer Commissions, Inland Wetlands or on land use boards. This is a question of integrity and public trust. On the other side, F. Goodrich questioned whether builders etc. would bring expertise to Land Use boards.

Gave WSNA a list of good to do's to get started:

1. Go to City Clerks office and get a copy of the City Charter – Know your City Government
2. Have one person represent us in the papers – use our letterhead. Everyone should write to the editor, make it simple, explain over and over again.
3. One person to handle responses and queries.
4. Contact papers, best time to do so is 1pm, after lunch.
5. Know the election cycle and vote.

Said to go to the Alderman meeting, propose the ban on builders etc. on Land Use boards.

Square Deal is a public interest group for ethics in government. They do not hold any government office.

Action Item: Writing to papers  
Person Responsible: Kim Rose  
Deadline: None

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**Topic: Speaking to Neighbors**

**Presenter: Kim Rose**

Discussion Notes:

Two years ago, land across street was changed to a CDD-2, with a special permit hidden in it. C.G.S. 8-30g is the special permit for affordable housing allowing more units than normal. This brings up many issues such as traffic, safety etc. Two years ago they tried this and gave up because of strong neighborhood resistance.

Action Item:  
Person Responsible:  
Deadline

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**Topic: Continuance from Kim**

**Presenter: Sen. Gayle Slossberg**

Discussion Notes: Said they would question whether this may be a case of bias. Asked if there was a legal basis for the denial on 28 units. Said to make sure there is enough in the public record (re: safety, traffic) because the developer will appeal. She also said to begin petitioning again because we need a strong defense for this issue. She also spoke of allowing special permits in all zones.

She also cleared up the fact that Devon got \$2.5 mil. in State Bonding, not a Block Grant. Block Grants are Federal. Silver Sands also got State Bonding in the amount of \$5 mil. She suggested we call the developer, D'Amato ourselves and ask to sit down and try to settle this issue with him that way. She would be happy to sit in with Kim Rose and him.

Action Item: Meeting with D'Amato  
Person Responsible: Kim Rose  
Deadline

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**RAFFLE:** The Door Prize raffle was held at this point. The winners were:  
For the \$25.00 Gift Cert. For Silver Star Jewelry: Joan Rousseau  
For the 2 Large pies from Pappas Pizza: Randy Watson

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**Topic: Quality of Life**

**Presenter: Sheila Dean**

Discussion Notes: Discussed the fact that there were a number of other things in our district that should be worked on, for example the drugs down the other end of Naugatuck Avenue as well as the crime. Everyone agreed.

Action Item:

Person Responsible:

Deadline

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**Topic: Garbage on Naug. Ave. intersection with Janet Street.**

**Presenter: Eric Rousseau**

Discussion Notes: There is always garbage located at the white house on this intersection. It looks terrible.

Action Item: Phone call or letter to owner.

Person Responsible: Joyce Carloto

Deadline: Approx. 1 month No real deadline

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**Topic: Krauser's Corner**

**Presenter: Kelly Hanson**

Discussion Notes: We have been given permission to landscape this. We should find other sites to clean up our area. We will talk about this at a later date.

Action Item:

Person Responsible:

Deadline

Motion to end meeting presented by Jim Dean and seconded by many at approx 8:15pm.