

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF PLANNING BOARD HEARING Relative to PROPOSED ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENTS Pursuant to G.L. c. 40A, § 5 LEGAL NOTICE ZONE CHANGE

The Planning Board of the Town of Ludlow will hold a public hearing to discuss proposed amendments to the town's zoning bylaws. The public hearing will be held as follows:

Place: Ludlow Town Hall, Selectmen's Conference Room, 3rd floor

Date: Thursday, February 22, 2024

Time: 7:35 p.m.

Applicant: Linton Holdings, LLC

Location: 0 West Street (Assessors' Map 3, Parcels 66G, 66N, 66P)

The subject matter of the proposed amendment is as indicated below. The complete text relative to the proposed amendments is available for inspection on the Planning Board web site: www.ludlow.ma.us/html/planning.

Zone Change Requested from: Residential B to Industrial A

Reason for Requested Change: All of the surrounding property is zoned Industrial A.

Raymond Phoenix
Chairman

If for any reason this hearing is cancelled, it will be rescheduled to Thursday, March 14, 2023.
02/07, 02/14/2024

LUDLOW PLANNING BOARD LEGAL NOTICE SPECIAL PERMIT HOME OCCUPATION

The Ludlow Planning Board will hold a public hearing in Ludlow Town Hall, Selectmen's Conference Room on **Thursday, February 22, 2024 at 7:20 p.m.** on the application of Stephen M. Koziol of **259 Chapin Street Ludlow, MA** (Assessors' Map 27A, Parcel 122) for: **home office for home improvement business.**

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Raymond Phoenix
Chairman
02/07, 02/14/2024

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Hampden Probate and Family Court 50 State Street Springfield, MA 01103 (413)748-7758 Docket No. HD22P1158EA Estate of: Chester J Giza Date of Death: 02/26/2020 CITATION ON PETITION FOR SALE OF REAL ESTATE BY A PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

To all interested persons: A Petition for Sale of Real Estate has been filed by: **Anne B. Clement of Melbourne, FL** requesting that the court authorize the Personal Representative to sell the decedent's real estate at a private sale.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this court before: **10:00**

10:00 a.m. on the return day of 03/03/2024.
This is **NOT** a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.
WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.
Date: February 08, 2024
Rosemary A. Saccomani
Register of Probate
02/14/2024

COMMONWEAL OF MASSACHUSETTS The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Department HAMPDEN, Division Docket No. HD23P0095PM

To all persons interested in the estate of **Thomas Susa**, of Ludlow, in said County, A petition has been presented to said Court for license to sell at private sale certain real estate of said **Thomas Susa** for his maintenance.
If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at 50 State Street, Springfield, MA before 10:00 in the forenoon on the **6th day of March, 2024**, the return day of this citation.
Witness, **BARBARA M. HYLAND**, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this 29th day of January, 2024.
Rosemary A. Saccomani
Register
02/14/2024

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James Gennette, Chairman
Ludlow Board of Selectmen
02/07, 02/14/2024

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Greater Springfield Habitat for Humanity embraces energy-savings initiatives

By **Brandice J. O'Brien**
Marketing and Communications Manager, Greater Springfield Habitat for Humanity

WEST SPRINGFIELD – Energy savings and green products are all the rage right now. Greater Springfield Habitat for Humanity, or GSHFH, is working tirelessly to provide their homeowners and prospective partner families with environmentally-friendly products that help them save on utility costs, while keeping expenses low. That's not an easy feat considering inflation and limited resources. Yet, the nonprofit organization is able to accomplish this achievement through fundraisers, donations and grants.

Sometimes, it's the small changes that make the biggest difference. GSHFH is now incorporating electric mini split heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems to avoid using fossil fuels. In some instances, based on location and home design, tankless water heaters or air-sourced water heaters are installed.

“Our goal is to provide our partner families with an energy-friendly home that will allow them to save money, while protecting their investment for many years to come,” said Aimee Giroux, GSHFH executive director. “We want them to pass their home to the next generation of family members and provide them with a solid foundation for a better, more stable future.”

Energy-friendly products range from solar panel installation, the use of Low-E glass windows, to a plant-based fiber insulation called HempWool; light-emitting diode (LED) fixtures, and the affiliate's first-ever insulated concrete form (ICF) home. Solar panel installation can help a

family significantly cut their electric bill and the use of Low-E glass windows lets in natural light while reflecting inside heat back into the home during the winter months. During the summer, outside heat is reflected away from the home.

LED fixtures reduce energy usage and programmable thermostats provide heating and cooling only during the times it was most needed. Plus, Energy-Star appliances, which are rated for maximum energy efficiency and cost savings, are used.

HempWool is a US Department of Agriculture-certified bio-based insulation that is naturally mold and pest resistant. It's also resistant of volatile organic compounds and toxins. It's easy to install, doesn't sag, and like the Low-E glass, lowers the energy bills for heat in the winter, cooling in the summer, and general comfort.

“It's a lot less itchy to handle,” said Tom Eisenman, GSHFH volunteer.

Additionally, new construction projects are built to meet the Specialized Opt-in Energy Code of Massachusetts Stretch Energy Code. The code sets significantly higher requirements for heating and cooling loads, which can be responsible for 60% of a building's energy use.

In November 2022, GSHFH began its most notable energy-efficient project yet: an ICF home. A dedication ceremony celebrating the completion of construction will be held at 11am on Wednesday, Feb. 14, at 360 Chestnut St. in Holyoke. The project is a collaboration between the National Ready Mixed Concrete Association and Habitat for Humanity International to build 50 ICF homes across the country.

The insulated concrete forms are hollow foam blocks that are stacked into the shape of exterior walls of a building, reinforced with steel rebar, and filled with concrete.

“Doing something different in construction is not easy,” said Gregg Lewis, chief communications officer at NRMCA. “Construction is hard enough when you're doing the same thing day in and day out. Try to take on a new way of building and it's really a huge deal.”

ICF combines one of the finest insulating materials – expanded polystyrene (EPS) with one of the strongest structural building materials – steel reinforced concrete. The result is a wall system of



Submitted photo

Dean student working with rebar at Chestnut.

unmatched comfort, energy efficiency and noise reduction.

“The house will be quiet, even when it's windy and stormy outside and it'll stay nice and toasty inside,” said Steve Bogle, an Integraspec local distributor.

Integraspec is the brand name of the foam blocks. Steve and his wife Cheryl, also an Integraspec distributor, worked with GSHFH in the early stages.

Unlike a traditional wood frame house with sheathing, an ICF home offers several additional benefits to the builder and homeowner. The foam panels are made from recycled material. ICF walls do not off-gas, whereas conventional walls sheathed with oriented strand board (OSB) off-gas through glues and resin. ICF walls are resistant to mold and rot, which provides a better living environment for those suffering from allergens or asthma. Also, due to the rising cost of lumber, this method significantly reduces the need for wood for framing and sheathing the exterior and less trees are cut down.

“We're excited to have built a more energy-efficient, affordable home for one of our Habitat families,” Aimee said.

To see pictures from the construction phase of the ICF build, visit habitatgreater Springfield.org/Holyoke.

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