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**AD HOC REPORT**  
**Briar Ridge Road – Rename & Renumber**

Hon. Mark D. Boughton, Mayor  
Common Council Members

January 18, 2007

Chairwoman Pauline Basso called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. Committee members are Mary Teicholz, who is presently in the hospital, and Paul Rotello. The charge of this committee is to review a proposal for a name change and re-numbering issue for Briar Ridge Road. In attendance were Laszlo Pinter, Deputy Corporation Counsel, Ben Chianese, as petitioner and ex-officio, Robert Riley ex-officio. There is a positive 8-24 Planning Report to re-name and re-number the road but the Planning Commission does not support connecting the two road sections.

Ben Chianese gave some of the reasons he is asking for this name change. Deliveries are a problem and emergency vehicles (911) have trouble finding the houses since there is a gap between the roads. If you get on the wrong road it takes about 15 – 20 minutes to get around to the right road. One side of the longer end of the road is in Danbury and the other side is in Ridgefield. This is the older part of the road. The north end of the road is all in Danbury.

Discussion followed about picking a new name for the north part of the road to send to the Planning Department with a request for a survey for a name change and re-numbering.

Les Pinter said the request before the committee is to re-name and re-number the road. The City can only make changes to City of Danbury roads – may be a problem with one half of the road in Ridgefield as far as the re-numbering and re-naming.

Mr. Rotello said we could hold off on the re-numbering for now.

Mr. Rotello moved to send this back to Planning to send out a survey to the property owners along what we will call, for the purpose of his meeting, the north end of Briar Ridge – both ends of Briar Ridge as it impacts everybody, with the proposed change to be exclusive to the north end of the present Briar Ridge changed to Mountain Laurel Road. Survey by Planning to query the neighbors about a proposed name change to Mountain Laurel Road for the north end of the present Briar Ridge. We will hold off on the re-numbering. Seconded by Mrs. Basso. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Rotello made a motion to adjourn at 6:35 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Basso. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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Pauline Basso, Chairman

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Paul Rotello

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Mary Teicholz