



285 Sharon Goshen Turnpike
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Re: App. #217 – Little Guild of St. Francis – Special Exception for the use of the existing facility as a “commercial kennel and dog training facility” by the Town of Cornwall - Section 8.9 – “Commercial kennels ”- 285 Sharon Goshen Turnpike

June 21, 2011

To abutting property of 285 Sharon Goshen Turnpike

Dear Neighbors,

The Cornwall Planning and Zoning Commission will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, July 12, 2011 commencing at 7:00PM in Cornwall Library, 30 Pine Street to hear our above referenced application. At this public hearing, interested persons may appear and be heard and written communications received.

We are requesting a special permit to expand the current use of our facilities to include a “commercial kennel” and “dog training facility” for use by the Town of Cornwall. We have been working with the Town of Cornwall and the Cornwall animal control officer to make our facilities the official Cornwall “dog pound”. Connecticut General Statutes 22-344 requires that a license be obtained before opening and operating such a facility, a license that must be approved by the local Planning and Zoning agent or agency. There will be no changes to the outside appearance of our building and grounds nor will this cause any changes in the size or capacity of our existing facility. Both Little Guild and the Town of Cornwall are looking forward to the joint venture, a venture that is consistent with our stated mission “ *We believe in the intrinsic worth of all living things and recognize in particular, the unusually long and close association humans have had with dogs and cats. For whatever reasons, many innocent animals do not receive the care to which they are entitled. We pledge to protect and rehabilitate distressed animals and promote humane education.* ”

Respectfully yours,

Denise Cohn
Executive Director
Little Guild of St. Francis