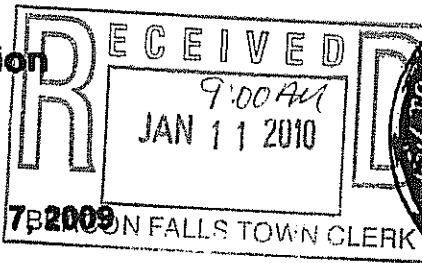


Beacon Falls Conservation Commission
10 Maple Ave
Beacon Falls, CT 06403



Rev. Meeting Minutes, December 7, 2009

Chair Diane Betkoski called the regular monthly meeting of the Beacon Falls Conservation Commission to order at 7:35 p.m.

Present: Chair D. Betkoski, Vice Chair A. Parzuchowski, Commissioners: J. Mylen and W. Chellis.

Absent: Commissioner Christian Yanarella

Minutes of October

Commissioner Chellis noted that he attended the GIS Training Program. Commissioner Parzuchowski made the comment at the last meeting that the CRI Presentation given by John Rozum should be considered educational fulfillment.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mylen and seconded by Commissioner Chellis that the CRI Presentation be accepted as educational fulfillment.

Discussion: None Vote: 5 In favor Abstained: 0 Opposed: 0

Vice Chair Parzuchowski noted that a granite bench with a plaque at Toby's Pond was presented in honor of former Commissioner Ed Jurzynski.

Motion was made by Vice Chairman Parzuchowski and seconded by Commissioner Chellis to approve the minutes of October with noted changes.

Discussion: None Vote: 4 In favor Abstained: 0 Opposed: 0

Correspondence

Commissioner Mylen noted that the following correspondence has been received:

1. Naugatuck River Greenway Public Workshop Flyer
2. Planning and Zoning Minutes
3. Notice of Special Meeting of Inland Wetlands
4. Connecticut Forestry Ecology Minutes and Symposium
5. Central Naugatuck Valley Region – Action Council

Storm water Management

Commissioner Mylen noted that nothing will be done for the winter season. In the spring the volunteers will be acknowledged. Commissioner Mylen noted that the storm drain marking is 80% complete.

Outreach

Vice Chairman Parzuchowski stated in the Conserv when published in the spring she wants to note that the storm water marking program is 80% complete and include photos of the Boy Scouts that participated in the program. The Website has been updated. The public relation letter has been done but will be put in the newspaper in the spring. The Conservation Commission Schedule of Meetings for 2010 was published in the newspaper. Commissioner Parzuchowski discussed Conserv. Commissioner Chellis mentioned including factoids. Information will be put on the website to educate citizens on what is in the town resources. Also an article on Recycling is being considered for Conserv.

Commissioner Mylen mentioned that the Energy Review Board is considering putting restrictions on wind mills and power generation. Vice Chair Parzuchowski stated that we do not have the resources for power generation. Chair Betkoski stated she feels that readers of the Conserv would like to know what the Town is doing to conserve energy. Information will be drafted and sent to Vice Chair Parzuchowski for the upcoming issue of the Conserv.

Natural Resource Inventory Program

Commissioner Chellis presented a Green Map Working Outline to the Commissioners. A copy of the Outline is on file. Discussion was held concerning natural resources in the Town of Beacon Falls. Discussion was held concerning Toby's Pond. Chair Betkoski submitted a draft of Open Space Checklist for Assessment Draft to the Commission. A copy is on file. The Commission is also awaiting the development of an ordinance for Managing Open Space to be written by Atty. Byrne. Commissioner Chellis noted he did not get a response from CACIWC on his request for a checklist. Chair Betkoski asked when the boundary markers will be done in spring. Chair Betkoski will be contacting Rich Minnick.

Land Use Committee Update

Chair Betkoski noted that no other meetings will be held until further notice.

Membership

Chair Betkoski will speak to First Selectman Cable concerning a new member for the Commission.

2010 Goals and Objectives

Chair Betkoski stated that the environmental review for Jim Martin's property. Chair Betkoski stated she will find out from Rich Minnick as to the marking of boundaries. Outreach is being done with Conserv Newsletter. The storm water marking program is 80% complete, 20% remaining will be done in the spring. Vice Chair Parzuchowski stated that the Ordinance for the Open Space Management should be added to goals and objectives. The assessment needs to be done for the property/open space turned over to the Town to determine the use of the property. A copy of the 2010 Goals and Objectives will be forwarded to the members.

Regional Greenway (discussion how it ties into our agenda)

Vice Chair Parzuchowski is a member of the Naugatuck River Greenway Routing Study. She presented information from the last workshop she attended. A walk has been done. The Greenway is in the conceptual stage.

Classes and Workshops 2010 – nothing to discuss yet

Commissioner Chellis mentioned that he did attend the GIS Training Session.

Events: Community Presentations 2010

Vice Chair Parzuchowski mentioned the Duck Race. The Chair will obtain a calendar of events to be held in the Town of Beacon Falls in the upcoming year. Chair Betkoski mentioned networking with other groups in the Town of Beacon Falls.

Variance and Open Space – previously discussed

Ideas for Article (CONSERV) – previously discussed

Payment of Bills

M. Kempa - \$57.50

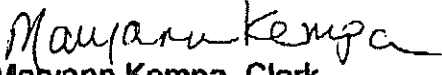
Motion was made by Commissioner Chellis and seconded by Vice Chair Parzuchowski to approve the bill as submitted.

Discussion: None Vote: 4 in favor Abstained: 0 Opposed: 0

Commissioner Mylen mentioned the possibility of the building of a Stone Museum in the Town of Beacon Falls.

Motion was made by Vice Chair Parzuchowski and seconded by Commissioner Chellis to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Maryann Kempa, Clerk

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