

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



**BEACON FALLS CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
**Special Meeting Minutes**  
**September 6, 2016**  
**(Draft Copy-Subject to Revision)**

**1. Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance**

Chair pro tem Bonnie Chevarella called the special meeting to order at 6:30 PM in the Beacon Falls Town Hall Assembly Room.

Commissioners present: Chair pro tem Bonnie Chevarella, Secretary pro tem Ashleigh Doherty

Commissioners absent: Tanya Gutierro, Dave Farley, Ruth Burritt, Mike Opuszynski

Others present: Beacon Falls Open Space Land Use Steward Rich Minnick

Chair pro tem Bonnie Chevarella noted that with a lack of quorum this meeting could not continue, but changed it to a workshop.

**2. Announcements**

CACIWC membership dues is due. This is shared with the Inland Wetlands Commission and it is that commission's turn to pay.

**ACTION:** The Clerk will pass the CACIWC bill to the Inland Wetlands Commission.

**3. Comments from the Public -**

R. Minnick commented that the Naugatuck River Greenway committee will meet next Wednesday. Details to follow.

R. Minnick reported that the River Bend project is progressing.

**4. Approval of Minutes – July 2016 - tabled**

**5. Correspondence**

Rich Minnick - emailed suggested Eagle Scout Projects to members

Summer 2016 DEEP newsletter

Summer 2016 CACIWC Habitat newsletter

Memo dated 8/17 from First Selectman re turning off a/c in THAR when done with meetings

Rich Minnick - 2016 Natural Resource Conservation Fair October 4 & 5; he added that this is a great resource

Audubon Summer 2016 issue

Resignation Letter from Clerk Martha Melville effective October 1, 2016

6. **Old Business:**

- A. Committee Reports - none
- B. Outdoor Wood Furnaces - tabled
- C. Japanese Knotweed - tabled
- D. Status of Eagle Scout projects  
Payments have been made

7. **New Business**

- A. 2017 Meeting Schedule Discussion - tabled until November

The 2017 calendar marked with Monday holidays was reviewed.

**ACTION:** B. Chevarella will check on the availability of the Beacon Falls Senior Center for the January 3, 2017 meeting.

- B. Election of Officers - tabled until January 2017

The Clerk noted that according to the Conservation Commission Ordinance, officer elections shall be held in January of each odd number year.

8. **Payment of Invoices -**

- A. Clerical invoice - tabled

- B. Eagle Scout projects- approve any receipts  
Nothing new to approve; all bills have been paid.

9. **Adjournment**

The workshop ended by mutual consent at 6:59.

CACIWC Annual Conference on Saturday November 12 at the Sheraton Hartford Hotel.

The next Conservation Commission regular monthly meeting will be held on Monday, October 3, 2016 at 6:30 PM in the Town Hall Assembly Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Melville  
Clerk

CC:  
Conservation Commission members  
Planning & Zoning  
Inland Wetlands  
Park & Rec Commissions