



**BEACON FALLS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
10 MAPLE AVENUE
BEACON FALLS, CT 06403**

**MONTHLY MINUTES
January 10, 2017**

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Bonnie Chevarella called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm.

Commissioners Present: Chairman Bonnie Chevarella, Rich Minnick, Ruth Burritt, Michael Opuszynski

Commissioners Absent: Tonya Gutierro, Ashleigh Doherty, David Farley.

2. Announcements

None

3. Comments from the Public

None

4. Approval of Minutes

R. Minnick moved to accept monthly meeting minutes of December 6, 2016. Seconded by R. Burritt. 3 in favor, 1 abstention. Motion passes 3-0.

5. Correspondence

Connecticut Conservation Council material.

6. Old Business

- A. Committee Reports – Discussion re: streamlining Committees into: 1. Publicity, I. T., & Outreach, 2. Research & Grants, 3. Open Space Planning, 4. Trailblazing.
- B. Opening on Conservation Commission was discussed. .

.7. New Business

- A. **R. Minnick made a motion to send a letter to the Board of Selectmen in support of Commissioner Michael Opuszynski's continued tenure on the Conservation Commission despite his work assignment in Europe which is expected to last 3 to 6 months. Seconded by R. Burritt. All ayes, motion passes 4-0.**
- B. R. Minnick stated the Boy Scouts may be interested in trailblazing and mapping Lantern Ridge park.
- C. **R. Minnick moved to table the Election of Officers to garner interest from all members. Seconded by M. Opuszynski. All in favor, motion passes 4-0.**
- D. **R. Minnick moved to permanently add "PETITION FROM COMMISSIONERS" as agenda item # 8. Seconded by M. Opuszynski. All in favor, motion passes 4-0.**

8. Payment of Invoices

M. Opuszynski moved to pay the Clerk's invoice of \$69.00. Seconded by R. Minnick. All in favor, motion carries 4-0.

9. Adjournment

The next Conservation Commission regular monthly meeting will be held Tuesday February 14, 2017 at 6:30 pm in the Beacon Falls Senior Center, 57 North Main Street.

With no other business, **R. Burritt moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 pm. Seconded by R. Minnick, All in favor, motion passes 4-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Peter A. Christensen

Clerk

CC:
Conservation Comm.