



**BEACON FALLS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
10 MAPLE AVENUE
BEACON FALLS, CT06403**

**MEETING MINUTES
September 12, 2017**

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Ruth Burritt called the meeting to order at **6:33 pm**.

Commissioners Present: Ruth Burritt, Bill Burritt, Ashleigh Doherty, Sophie Zyla, Mike Opuszynski

Commissioners Absent: Tonya Gutierro, Rich Minnick

2. Announcements

None

3. Comments from the Public

None

4. Approval of Minutes

M. Opuszynski moved to accept the minutes of August 8, 2017. Seconded by A. Doherty. All in favor, motion passes 5-0.

5. Correspondence

Request received from Judy Treu of Yale/Griffin Research Center through Diane Betkoski for maps of Lantern Ridge Park.

6. Old Business

1. Golf balls in Toby's Pond.
2. Site improvements at Lantern Ridge Park.
3. Bird houses at Toby's Pond.

4. SW Land Conservation fee.

S. Zyla moved to recommend to the BOS that the birdhouses at Toby's Pond be relocated for the Spring with cc to Steward R. Minnick and Park & Rec. Seconded by R. Burritt. All in favor, motion passes 5-0.

7. New Business

1. T. Gutierro has verbally resigned from the Conservation Commission per Chairman R. Burritt.
2. M. Opuszynski reported that the Town is moving ahead with updating/streamlining the permit process with the various land use boards and that the Conservation Commission should be included in the process.
3. S. Zyla reported that macro-invertebrate sampling will commence on October 7, 2017 at Matthies Park.

The Commission, after a brief discussion unanimously agreed to table the recently created opening for Vice Chairman till next meeting.

8. Petition of Commissioners

1. Commissioners again voiced concerns regarding criminal activity in the various town parks after hours.

9. Payment of Invoices

1. **A. Doherty moved to pay the Clerk's invoice of \$60.50, seconded by S. Zyla. All in favor, motion passes 5-0.**

10. Adjournment

The next Conservation Commission regular monthly meeting will be held **Tuesday October 10, 2017 at 6:30 pm** in the Beacon Falls Senior Center, 57 North Main Street.

With no other business **M. Opuszynski moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 pm. Seconded by S. Zyla. All in Favor, motion passes 5-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Peter A. Christensen

Clerk

CC:Conservation Comm.