



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

**MEETING MINUTES  
February 13, 2018**

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

Chairman Ruth Burritt called the meeting to order at **6:30 pm**.

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

Commissioners Absent: Tonya Gutierro, Ashleigh Doherty

**2. Announcements**

None

**3. Comments from the Public**

None

**4. Approval of Minutes**

**R. Burritt moved to accept the minutes of January 9, 2018. Seconded by M. Opuszynski. All in favor. Motion passes 4-0.**

**5. Correspondence**

Multiple emails received regarding concerns over the recent spills into the Naugatuck River.

**6. Old Business**

1. Community outreach was discussed regarding the open position on the Commission. (R. Burritt)
2. New trail work at Lantern Ridge Park was discussed including current status, future plans, & tentative timeline. (M. Opuszynski)

3. Chairman R. Burritt presented a past brochure offering an overview of the Commission, mission, activities, etc.. R. Burritt will review and update for possible future action. (R. Burritt)
4. G.I.S. Mapping at Lantern Ridge was discussed. M. Opuszynski explained what is needed and a possible timeline. (M. Opuszynski)
5. The open Vice Chairman position was discussed. (R. Burritt)
6. Repair of the Lantern Ridge Park kiosk was discussed. (B. Burritt)

## **7. New Business**

1. Contacting Guidance Office at Woodland Regional High School re: student involvement on the Conservation Commission in the way of volunteer projects, meeting attendance, etc.. (R. Burritt)
2. **M. Opuszynski moved to form an “Ad-Hoc” committee to investigate, review & consolidate citizen’s concerns regarding the recent discharges into the Naugatuck River and direct these concerns to the proper State agencies, area conservation commissions, non-profit ecological groups, Town government, etc. for their review. M. Opuszynski & R. Burritt to serve on this committee. Seconded by S. Zyla. All in favor. Motion passes 4-0.**
3. **M. Opuszynski moved to present the Town with a budget which is the same as last FY. \$2100.00 operational operating budget. Seconded by S. Zyla. All in favor. Motion passes 4-0.**
4. **M. Opuszynski moved to include \$1500.00 in the budget for the Land Preservation Fund. Seconded by S. Zyla. All in favor. Motion passes 4-0.**

## **8. Petition of Commissioners**

None

## **9. Payment of Invoices**

**M. Opuszynski moved to pay the Clerk’s invoice of \$77.50 for February 2018., seconded by R. Burritt. All in favor, motion passes 4-0.**

## **10. Adjournment**

The next Conservation Commission regular monthly meeting will be held **Tuesday March 13, 2018 at 6:30 pm** in the Beacon Falls Senior Center, 57 North Main Street.

With no other business **B. Burritt moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 pm. Seconded by S. Zyla. All in Favor, motion passes 4-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

*Peter A. Christensen*

Clerk

CC: Conservation Comm.