

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

# **MEETING MINUTES**

April 9, 2019

# 1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Ruth Burritt called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm in the Beacon Falls Senior Center.

Commissioners Present: Kristen Jabanoski, Andrew Keane, Ruth Burritt, Mike Opuszynski.

Commissioners Absent: Lori Brant, (two open positions)

#### 2. Announcements

None

#### 3. Comments from the Public

None

### 4. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the March 12, 2019 were reviewed. M. Opuszynski moved to accept. K. Jabanoski seconded. All in favor. Motion passes 4-0.

#### 5. Review of Town Commission & Board Minutes.

1. The Commission discussed the current responsibility of developers regarding donating open space and/or a donation when applying for land use permits for a new development.

# 6. Correspondence

None

# 7. Old Business

- 1. Updated Mission Statement (Jabanoski)
- 2. Review Commission charter. (Keane/Jabanoski)
- 3. Review process for developers re: new projects.
- 4. CT Trails Day, June 1 & 2. (R. Burritt, K. Jabanoski)
- 5. Work with B.O.S. re: water quality impact of Tiverton project.
- 6. Access expected financial assets for consideration with upcoming projects. (M. Opuszynski1.)
- 7. The current open Commissioners positions was discussed. Facebook, Town Hall, and the Citizens News will be notified. (K. Jabanoski)
- 8. Contact the Conservation Commissions in Prospect & Bethany with an invitation to institute a "exchange program" with their members to share ideas. Perhaps having them visit Matthies and we could visit their parks. (Burritt)

#### 8. New Business

- 1. Discussions of responsibilities and interaction with other Boards & Commissions.
- 2. CT Trails Day June 1 & 2.
- 3. Town wide clean up tentatively scheduled for April/2019.
- 4. Request additional quotes in Lantern Ridge Park utilizing companies used in the past by the town.
- 5. Subjects / Speakers for quarterly Community outreach sessions.

K. Jabanoski made a motion to pay \$750.00 to the Southwest Conservation Commission pending Town Inlands / Wetlands actions on same subject. Seconded by M. Opuszynski. All in favor. Motion passes 4-0.

#### 9. <u>Petition of Commissioners</u>

M. Opuszynski made a motion that remaining funds from the Story Walk project be used in the following manner: The first \$80.00 be reimbursed to Sophie Zyla for past purchases. Any remaining funds to be used for clean-up projects and promotional items for the Conservation Commission. Seconded by A. Keane. All in favor. Motion passes 4-0.

# 10. Payment of Invoices

M. Opuszynski moved to pay the Clerk's invoice of \$77.50 for April/2019. Seconded by K. Jabanoski. All in favor. Motion passes 4-0.

# 11. Adjournment

The next Conservation Commission regular monthly meeting will be held **Tuesday May 14, 2019 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 8:30 pm. Seconded by M. Opuszynski. All in favor. Motion passes 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter A. Christensen

Clerk

CC: Conservation Comm.