

Conservation Commission of the Town of Litchfield

Land Use Office, 80 Doyle Road, PO Box 12, Bantam, CT 06750

Regular Members

Mark Austin, Chair
John Baker
John Cox
Cleve Fuessenich, Vice Chair
Jordan Richards
Diane Stoner

Alternates

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## Draft Minutes REGULAR MEETING

22 August 2017

7 PM, Bantam Town Hall Annex, Bantam, CT

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Call to order, roll call, changes to agenda.....7:01

Members in attendance: Austin, Baker Cox, Fuessenich, Richards,

Members absent: Stoner,

Public in attendance:

1. Appointment of Alternates: n/a
2. Approval of Minutes – June , 2017. Motion to approve by Baker, seconded by Fuessenich, unanimous approval
3. Public Comment: none
4. Regional Plan of Conservation and Development

As per the form

1. Is it consistent: yes
2. Endorse: Motion to endorse the plan with the below comments, Baker, second Richards, unanimous approval
3. Items not included
 - i. Green is protected open space. Some of the yellow areas should be green (protected open space), specifically the White Memorial Property, City of Waterbury reservoir property (including Marshapaug), Mount Tom (in Litchfield, Washington, and Morris), the Livingston Ripley property, and another Audubon property on Wigwam should also be shown as protected.
 - ii. As per our Zoning Map, the Riverview Commerce area should be shown, although along the river conservation should be considered.
4. Items to be added – none
5. Open Space Acquisition Project
 - Tabled.
6. Natural and Community Resource Inventory Project
 - tabled.
7. Old Business: none
8. New Members – Members are asking others.
9. New Business
 - Trail along the Naugatuck River – The Naugatuck River Council of Governments is proposing a hiking and bike trail along the river from Shelton to Thomaston. They are in discussion with the Northwest Hills Council to continue north. A study is being created. It is a Greenway subcommittee discussing and working on this.
10. Correspondence – none
11. Review of Action Items

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- Continuation of sections for projects.

12. Adjournment7:56 p

Next regularly scheduled meeting: September 26, 2017

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