



KILLINGLY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

WEDNESDAY, January 18, 2023
7:00pm

ROOM 102

KILLINGLY TOWN HALL, 172 Main Street, Killingly, CT

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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Elizabeth M. Wilson

- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm.
- II. **Roll Call:** Donna Bronwell, Jean Mountford, Mike Montville, Bob Mullen, Chris McDonald, Claudette Rogers (alternate), Allison Brady (staff), Ed Grandelski (Town Council Liaison, arrived at 7:16), Richard Fedor (citizen).
- III. **Citizens Comments/ Participation-** All public comment can be emailed to publiccomment@killinglyct.gov or mailed to Town of Killingly, 172 Main Street, Killingly, CT 06239 on or before the meeting. All public comment received prior to the meeting will be posted on the Town's website www.killinglyct.gov

Richard Fedor noted dead trees being taken down by storms, especially at Chase Reservoir. He also reported that the wooden sign by the road at 1892/Sherman Memorial was missing.

Mike made a motion to suspend the citizen's participation rule so that citizens may participate at any point. Bob seconded; passed 5-0.

IV. Minutes

- a. **Regular Meeting – November 16, 2022:** Jean made a motion to pass the minutes, Mike seconded, passed 5-0.

Jean made a motion to add "Environmental Award" as business item B; Chris seconded; motion passed 5-0.

V. Business

- a. **Annual Organizational Meeting:** It was decided that officer positions will stay the same; Donna as Chair, Jean as Vice Chair, Mike as Secretary. The rules of procedure and bylaws will be discussed in February.
- b. **Environmental Award:** Chris nominated Jean Mountford for the Environmental Award. Jean nominated the girl scout troop that helped with work at Litchfield. Mike made a motion to award both Jean and the girl scout troop the 2022 Environmental Award; Jean seconded; passed 5-0. The awards will tentatively be presented at the March 14th Town Council meeting.
- c. **Properties – 1892/Sherman Memorial, Chase Reservoir, Quandoc, Mason Hill:** The 1892 sign is missing. Frank Cervo from DEEP Division of Forestry is writing a report with his

management recommendations for Chase Reservoir. Quandoc had trees down that Mike took care of. Discussed the repeated trash dumping happening in Quandoc's parking area and discussed needed invasive management in wetlands area. DPW is helping to clean up trees at Mason Hill. Reviewed Donna's list of properties new members should be familiar with. Members will be scheduling a Special Meeting for January 28th at 9AM to do a bus tour of open space properties in town. Donna will request a bus and members will meet at Town Hall at 9AM. Jean made a motion to approve the expense of the bus; Mike seconded; passed 5-0.

- d. **Conservation Easement Monitoring Updates:** Allison gave examples of the new conservation easement monitoring form and the specific contents of baseline reports. Allison will bring a list of the conservation easements that the KCC is responsible for to the February meeting.
- e. **Spring Activities – LGV and Springfest:** Unsure if Springfest is happening in 2023. Dates and walks for TLGV's "Spring Outdoors!" will be discussed at the January 28th Special Meeting.
- f. **KCC Members Update:** Claudette is the new alternate member.
- g. **Chairperson Updates – Environmental Energy Series at Audubon Center:** Donna gave brief updates, including Audubon sponsoring an environmental energy series and TLGV's rolling buggy nicknamed Gertrude that assess trails for accessibility.

VI. **Correspondence to the Commission:** None.

VII. **Other**

- a. Next Town Council meeting – February 7th and 14th, 2023
- b. Next KCC meeting – February 15th, 2023
- c. Volunteer Tracking Time

VIII. **Town Council Liaison** – Brief update was given by Ed.

IX. **Adjournment:** Mike made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Jean seconded; passed 5-0; the meeting was adjourned at 8:49pm.