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KILLINGLY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Wednesday, March 20, 2019

7:00PM

Room 102 – 1st Floor

KILLINGLY TOWN HALL

172 MAIN STREET, DANIELSON, CT.

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:15 pm.

II. Roll Call

Attending: Donna Bronwell; Sharon Fekete; Bonni Piccione

Absent with notice: Ralph Chartier; Bruce Kohl

Also attending: Ann-Marie Aubrey, Director Planning & Development; Ed Grandelski, Town Council Liaison; David Griffiths, Town Council Member

III. Citizens Participation

None

IV. Minutes

A. February 20, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes

Sharon Fekete made a motion to adopt the minutes; Bonni Piccione seconded the motion; there was not further discussion; vote 3/0; the motion passed.

V. Business

- 1) Environmental Award – The award is scheduled to be presented at the April 9th, Town Council meeting at 7:00 pm in the Town Meeting Room. Shane White is the awardee. There was discussion regarding the wording on the award; Donna will order the award from Awards and Printing; Donna also requested that members attend the meeting to show support for Shane.
- 2) Cleanup Funds from Last Green Valley – The Conservation Commission will not request clean up funds for Earth Day from the Last Green Valley. People can pick up green trash bags at the Town Hall (Economic Development Office); the Library (we were not sure about that location); if they want to do a clean-up in their area. Remember to call to get the bags picked up.
- 3) Spring Bus tours LGV – Donna would like to do a bus tour on Saturday, April 13, 2019 @ 9:00 am; Donna will provide Ann-Marie with the information for the advertisement. The tour will be "Mills and Beyond" Back Roads Bus Tour of Killingly. Donna will check for buses, and tour guides. David Griffiths mentioned the buses that NECCOG were offering for free to the various municipalities. Ann-Marie questioned whether the Conservation Commission could even ask for one of those buses, she will check with Mary Calorio, Town Manager, to verify.
- 4) Youth Environment interest – This is a good idea, must start discussion on how it can be done.
- 5) Killingly Trash Issue – Ed Grandelski explained the new proposal regarding the proposed curb side trash pick-up in town. As of now, no changes, transfer station is still open, etc.
- 6) Signs & Kiosks and Brochures for Conservation areas – Donna had flyers printed, and dropped them off at various locations and kiosks.

- 7) Open Space Brochure – Sharon and Donna continue to work on this project update.
- 8) KCC Website – The KCC has a volunteer (George) that works on the website for them.
- 9) Chase Reservoir Forest Management Plan – Donna still needs to contact foresters; need forest management plans for Chase Reservoir and all other open space lands. Ann-Marie feels we may need to go out to bid for this item, she will check with the Town Manager and get back to the commission at the next meeting.
- 10) Town Open Space / Inventory of Potential Properties for Open Space Preservation – letters – there was some discussion regarding the letters and the revised list of properties, no decisions were made regarding this issue.
- 11) Sustainable CT - Killingly Green Team – Bruce Kohl mentioned to Donna that his sister-in-law, Laurel Kohl may be interested in leading the Killingly Green Team, as she has done something very similar at her place of work; however, since neither Bruce nor Laurel could attend tonight's meeting more information will be coming at a later date.
- 12) Plan of Conservation and Development – This is still in the process; Ann-Marie's office is working on this.
- 13) Chairperson Updates – Agriculture Commission, Trainings, Open Space Land Acquisition Comm .490 Open Space Program Working Group, Five Ponds – There was nothing new to report at this time.
- 14) Staff report – It was noted that Eric Rumsey's last day at work was Friday, March 8th, as he accepted a new position in Massachusetts. It was further noted that, for the present time, Ann-Marie Aubrey would be acting as staff for the Conservation Commission

VI. Correspondence to the Commission
None

VII. Other

1. Attendance next Town Council meeting – April 9, 2019 – for award presentation.
2. Next KCC meeting – April 17, 2019
3. Volunteer tracking time

VIII. Town Council Liaison - Ed Grandelski

It was noted that the new Town Manager, Mary Calorio, started on Monday, March 11, 2019. That at the last Town Council meeting there had been some discussion regarding the transfer of funds to the Open Space Land Acquisition fund; how was it to occur; why did we need so much money? Ann-Marie will discuss this matter with the Town Manager. It was noted that Ed has already reported on the new proposed curb side trash pickup earlier in the meeting.

IX. Adjournment

Bonni made a motion to adjourn; Sharon seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:40 pm.