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KILLINGLY CONSERVATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, June 20, 2018
7:00PM
Room 102 – 1st Floor
KILLINGLY TOWN HALL
172 MAIN STREET, DANIELSON, CT.

- I. **Call to Order – 7:10 PM**
- II. **Roll Call** – Donna Bronwell, Sharon Fekete, Shane White, Ralph Chartier, Bruce Kohl. Absent with notice: Bonni Piccione. Others present: Eric Rumsey, staff liaison.
- III. **Citizens Participation** – None present
- IV. **Minutes**
 - A. May 16, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes – Item #4 – Remove “Text for the Quandoc Conservation Area kiosk was distributed”. – Sharon motion to accept as corrected, Shane second, all approved.
- V. **Business**
 - 1) **Walktober** – The walk was submitted to LGV. A description was discussed: Key points: Partially handicapped accessible (road and to/over the bridge only), moderate trail beyond bridge - hilly with roots exposed, former site of two mills, 35’ dam/waterfall.
 - 2) **KCC Website** – Donna was in contact with George and the three backroads tours were put on the site. George is continuing to work on the website.
 - 3) **Town Open Space / Inventory of Potential Properties for Open Space Preservation** – The commission reviewed the inventory and a map created showing PPPI and existing open space and easements. Property along Ledge Road was added to the list. Property in the vicinity of Stone and Putnam Roads was added to the list (Original settlement in town). The Schramm Farm may have sold the development rights, and may be removed from the list.
 - 4) **Signs & Kiosks for Conservation areas - Chase Reservoir** – The commission discussed signs for several properties including the Chase Reservoir, Quandoc, and 1892 Conservation Areas. The Chase Reservoir has several standing dead trees. A forest management plan needs to be created (per the Chase Reservoir Management Plan). Eric was approached by Hull Forest Products to remove the standing deadwood from the site. In order for that to happen, there will have to be a plan created as well as the potential for bids to go out prior to any work being done. Eric will check with Sean regarding this process. The commission will draft a letter to Sean regarding the utilization of KCC funds if necessary for the development of a forest management plan. The commission reviewed draft language for the Quandoc Conservation Area kiosk. Edits and changes were made to the language and the maps. The commission reviewed draft language for a brochure for Chase Reservoir. Changes and edits were made to the language and to the map.

- 5) **Open Space Brochure** – Sharon and Donna presented draft language for an open spaces brochure. The commission reviewed a list of issues that each of the conservation areas faces. Edits and changes were suggested. Sharon and Donna will continue to work on this for printing.
- 6) **2017/2018 Funds** – Eric explained the new end-of-year purchasing procedures. Eric has spoken with Sean about utilizing the KCC's funds for end-of-year projects. Vinyl signs will be ordered for Quandoc and 1892. The commission will reimburse Richard Fedor for a trash grabber.
- 7) **LGV Grant** – The commission will not seek funds from the LGV Grant. Mr. Burlingame may apply for these funds to protect the Burlingame Farm.
- 8) **Sustainable CT** - Killingly Green Team – N/A
- 9) **Cat Hollow Trails - Briarwood Trail Committee**- See Walktober
- 10) **Plan of Conservation and Development** – N/A
- 11) **Chairperson Updates – Agriculture Commission, Trainings, Open Space Land Acquisition Comm .490 Open Space Program Working Group, Five Ponds** – The commission was once again asked to have a booth at the Tomato Festival. Donna went to the council meeting to ask that the money from the sale of open space property be put into the Open Space Land Acquisition Fund. This will be discussed at the July Town Council Meeting.
- 12) **Staff report** – Nothing to report.

VI. Correspondence to the Commission – As submitted

VII. Other

1. Attendance next Town Council meeting – July 10, 2018
2. Next KCC meeting – July 18, 2018
3. Volunteer tracking time

VIII. Town Council Liaison - Ed Grandelski – Not present.

IX. Adjournment – Bruce motion to adjourn at 9:40, Shane second. All approved.