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**TOWN OF KILLINGLY, CT  
OPEN SPACE LAND ACQUISITION COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, February 28, 2019**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**6:30 PM**

**ROOM 102**

**Killingly Town Hall  
172 Main St., Killingly**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**I. Call to Order / Roll Call**

Meeting called to order at 6:40 pm

Attending; Keith Thurlow, Byron Martin, William Cheng, Donna Bronwell.

Absent with notification: Beth Dubofsky-Porter and Cliff Dun

**II. Agenda Addendum**

None

**III. Citizen Participation – limited to three (3) minutes per speaker for an accumulated time of no more than twenty-one (21) minutes (unless extended by a majority vote of the Committee)**

None

**IV. Adoption of Minutes – (review/discussion/action)**

A) Regular Meeting – October 25, 2018

William Cheng made a motion to adopt the minutes of 10/25/2018; Donna Bronwell seconded the motion; no further discussion; vote 4/0; motion passed.

**V. Old Business- (review/discussion/action)**

1) Setting Goals and Priorities for upcoming year

Chair Keith Thurlow reminded the OSLA members that all boards and commissions have the right to input regarding open space preservation, this is important. There are a number of various reasons why open space should be preserved. He mentioned lack of public access to Quinebaug River.

2) Review of the following –

a) Open Space Land Acquisition Fund Ordinance –reviewed.

b) By-Laws of the Killingly Open Space Land Acquisition Committee–reviewed

c) Town of Killingly Open Space Map-Donna explained the open space map to members, showed various parcels of interest on the map.

d) List of Parcels of Land under the 490 classification-Byron mentioned that the AG COMM will be sending out a survey to landowners of parcels classified as 490.

\*NOTE: The members requested the amount of funding in the OSLA account.

Question on Camp Quinebaug – has it closed? No activity at the site.

P.O.C.D. – members want to know how much open space (% of total land area) we should be trying to preserve under the P.O.C.D.

**VI. New Business – (review/discussion/action)**

None

**VII. Other Discussion Items – (review/discussion/action)**

- 1) Board of Recreation Report – No-one was present to give a report
- 2) Agriculture Commission Report – Byron reporting that the AG COMM was still trying to get the landowner information regarding the 490 parcels so they could send out a survey.
- 3) Conservation Commission Report – Donna reported that the KCC was in the process of updating their back roads tours; would like to offer one in the spring. She showed the committee the new brochures for three of the KCC parcels. The committee was going to present their environmental award to Shane White, a long time commission member that recently resigned from the commission. The presentation will be at the April 9, 2019 meeting of the Town Council.
- 4) Economic Development Report – William Cheng reported that on Wednesday, March 27, 2019 from 7:30 am to 9:00 am there will be a breakfast meeting of the local commercial realtors to discuss what Killingly has to offer / or do / for commercial development. How are we going to get such development in town?
- 5) Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission- No-one was present to give a report
- 6) Planning and Zoning Commission – Keith reported that they are continuing to work on the Plan of Conservation and Development; updates of the Agriculture Regulations are before the commission for both the Town of Killingly and the Borough of Danielson.
- 7) Citizens Report – No-one was present to give a report.

**VIII. Town Council Liaison Report – (review/discussion/action)**

Kevin Kerttula reported the following; 1) the Acting Highway Director has moved on to a job with Willington, so now the top two positions with the DPW must be filled; 2) Council member Chris Dillon has resigned, the T/C must look for a replacement; 3) Charter revision committee is trying to put forth 5 to 6 questions for the upcoming ballot; 4) Charter – there was a question regarding an increase in the Town Council Member's stipends, but that is going to go through the ordinance subcommittee of the Town Council instead; 5) March 9<sup>th</sup> is scheduled to be a goal setting meeting for the Town Council.

**IX. Enter into Executive Session (if needed/ review/discussion/action) – Per CT General Statutes Section 1-200(6)(D) [discussion of the selection of a site or the lease, sale or purchase of real estate... when publicity regarding such site, lease, sale, purchase, or construction would adversely impact the price of such site, lease, sale, purchase or construction until such time as all of the property has been acquired or all proceedings or transactions concerning same have been terminated, or abandoned..."]**

A motion was made by William Cheng to go into executive session, Byron Martin seconded the motion; further discussion to invite Ann-Marie Aubrey, Director of Planning & Development, and Kevin Kerttula, Town Council Liaison, and Andy Bronwell into the executive session; vote 4/0, the motion passed.

All committee members stayed for the executive session; and the committee went into executive session at approximately 8:01 p.m.; and the committee came out of executive session at approximately 8:15 pm.

**X. Next Meeting – Tentatively, Thursday, March 28, 2019**

It was so noted.

**XI. Adjournment**

Byron Martin made a motion to adjourn, William Cheng seconded the motion, and the vote was 4/0, the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:16 pm.