



TOWN OF KILLINGLY, CT  
OPEN SPACE LAND ACQUISITION COMMITTEE

Thursday, September 29, 2016

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*Elizabeth M. Wilson*

**Special Meeting / Annual Meeting**  
**6:30 PM**

**ROOM 102, FIRST FLOOR**

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

**MINUTES**

**I. Call to Order and Roll Call –**

Meeting was called order at 6:35 pm

Attending: Janet Hallbergh, Byron Martin, Donna Bronwell, William Cheng,

Absent with notice: Keith Thurlow; absent without notice: Rodney Galton

Also attending: Ann-Marie Aubrey, Director of Planning and Lynne LaBerge, Town Council Liaison

**II. Agenda Addendum (as needed)**

None

**III. Citizen Participation:** - Limited to five (5) minutes per speaker for an accumulated time of no more than 45 minutes; unless extended by a majority vote of the Committee.

None

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

1. March 24, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes

(No Meetings – April, May, June, July or August)

William Cheng made a motion to adopt the March 24, 2016 regular meeting minutes. Byron Martin seconded the motion, no discussion, no comments. The vote was 4 to 0 to adopt, the motion passed.

**V. Old Business**

None

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

1. Election of Officers

Janet Hallbergh turned the meeting over to Ann-Marie Aubrey to run the election portion of the meeting. Janet Hallbergh nominated Byron Martin to take over the position of Secretary (vacated by Pamela J. Thompson). Byron Martin accepted the nomination. Ann-Marie called for any other nominations – there were none. Ann-Marie then called for a vote – the vote was 3 to 0, with Byron abstaining. Byron is now the newly elected Secretary.

Donna Bronwell made a motion to keep Janet Hallbergh as Chair and Keith Thurlow as Vice-Chair. Ann-Marie asked Janet if she accepted the nomination – she did. Keith was absent and therefore, it could not be verified if he accepted the nomination. Ann-Marie called for any other nominations – there were none. Ann-Marie then called for a vote – the vote was 4 to 0. Janet Hallbergh will continue as Chair, and Keith Thurlow will continue as Vice-Chair.

Ann-Marie then turned the meeting back over to Janet Hallbergh. Janet then stated that there are currently two open positions on the Committee – both are citizen representatives. Janet asked the committee members if they would please ask people if they had any interest in joining the committee.

**2. Review of Bylaws**

Janet asked if there were any revisions that anyone would like to make to the Bylaws. William Cheng made a motion for the Bylaws to remain as written. Byron Martin seconded that motion. There was no further discussion. Vote was 4 to 0, the motion passed. The Bylaws are to remain the same.

**3. Meetings for Upcoming Year – Calendar Year**

Janet asked for a motion for the upcoming calendar year of meetings be accepted as written. It was noted that one correction needed to be made – change January 2017 to January 2018. It was also noted that no meetings will be held in November or December of 2017. William Cheng made a motion to accept the calendar with the corrections. Donna Bronwell seconded the motion. Vote was 4 to 0, the motion passed.

**4. Goal Setting for Upcoming Year**

It was determined that the committee had approximately \$207,000.00 to spend on land acquisition / conservation easements.

Two items were mentioned during this goal setting discussion – 1) what if anything should be done with the town property at the end of Zadora Heights; and 2) Litchfield Avenue – conservation easement. No definitive goals were set at this time.

**VII. Other Discussion Items**

- 1) Rodney Galton, representing the IWWC, has not attended meetings in quite some time. Janet would like a letter sent to both Rodney Galton and to the IWWC to request that either he does attend OSLA meetings or that the IWWC choose someone else to attend in his place. Janet said it is really important to have input from all the town commissions – and right now the IWWC does not give that input.
- 2) There are two citizens' vacancies on the committee – Janet would like committee members to start looking for people willing to submit applications to the Town Council for appointment to the committee.
- 3) Donna Bronwell will most likely have a report for our next meeting on a particular parcel of real estate – so the committee will need to go into executive session at our next meeting.

**VIII. Council Liaison Report**

Lynne LaBerge discussed various items that are before the Town Council: 1) Whetstone Brook Bridge, 2) Board of Education and their non-lapsing account, 3) the issue of constables, 4) upcoming school issues, 5) bonding for capital projects.

**IX. Next Meeting Date – Tentatively; Thursday October 27, 2016 – (review/discussion/action)**

Extra Note: Donna Bronwell reminded everyone that the Conservation Commission will be holding their Walktober Event on October 16, 2016, and it will consist of a guided walking tour of Cat Hollow Park.

**X. Adjournment**

Meeting Adjourned at 7:35 pm