## KILLINGLY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

## REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, March 18, 2015 7:00PM

Room 102 – First Floor KILLINGLY TOWN HALL 172 MAIN STREET, DANIELSON, CT.

- I. Call to Order 7:01 PM
- II. Roll Call Donna Bronwell, Shane White, Bonni Piccione, Ralph Chartier, Carol Wood, Sharon Fekete. Absent w/out notice: Andrea Truppa. Others present: Eric Rumsey, staff, Courtney Cardinal, Michael Green, Adam Griffiths, Richard Fedor, Bruce Kohl, Cory and Jill Ouilette, John Sarantopolis.
- III. Citizens Participation Cory Ouilette reviewed his presentation to the Boy Scout Eagle Scout council for his proposed kiosk project for the Quandoc Conservation Area. He has had his proposal approved, and will be soliciting donations for materials to construct the kiosk. Many ideas for construction options were discussed such as using cedar posts vs. pine or other wood, cedar shake or asphalt shingles, etc. Adam Griffiths, Shane White, and Bruce Kohl volunteered to help Cory with the construction and planning of this project.

## IV. Minutes

A. February 18, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes – Tabled until April 15, 2015 regular meeting.

## V. Business

1. Open Space Stewards – The commission met with several stewards of town owned open spaces to discuss monitoring and inspections of the properties, any concerns the stewards may have, any needs the properties may have, and any suggestions for future development of the properties. Richard Fedor, had reviewed his properties and could not find the easements for his properties (85 and 187 Pratt Road and 72 Putnam Pike) recorded in the town clerks office. The recording of the easements will be looked into and will be done if not already recorded. A question was raised regarding trying to connect the 1892 property trails to the trails behind the high school. It was suggested that a work day be scheduled for each property at least once a year. April 20-23, the commission will organize a work day with the Killingly Ag-Ed students after school. Donna will email Courtney Cardinal at the end of March to arrange the work day. The Pratt Road properties need additional trail markings and signage on the road. The maps for the kiosk need to be replaced and the trails added. A new plexiglass window needs to be built and added to the kiosk to secure the map(s). Michael Green questioned who monitors fishing, etc. on the Chase Reservoir properties. It was suggested that at the end of the town property on the east side of the pond a sign be put up notifying people of that beyond that point is private land. The trash can at the boat launch was removed several months ago. Shane would like to see an inventory of what is on the property, what can be promoted, etc. Also, he would like to know what invasive species are prevalent on the properties. Adam Griffiths reviewed the Quandoc property. He had concerns with the placement of a trap cam in the area of the parking lot. He is also concerned with some of the questions on the inspection report. Bruce Kohl offered to help Adam with identification of the trees on the property. Adam said the best features of the property are the stone walls, an old logging road, and the presence of former fields. Adam reviewed the remainder of the inspection form. There is a need for additional prevention such as a gate to block off the existing road. The boundaries need to be marked all around. The trail should be marked as well. Adam broached concerns regarding the transfer station and the potential for pollution on the Quandoc piece. The commission reviewed 625 Valley Road and spoke with Bruce Kohl regarding him being the steward of the property. If Bruce wishes to walk the property, the commission would be happy to also walk with him.

- 2. **Walktober 2015** The commission discussed walks from the last 11 years. Walking the Quarry Road site was discussed. Donna suggested getting a bus to tour Killingly's back roads and historic / scenic sites around town.
- VI. Correspondence to the Commission As submitted
- VII. Other
  - 1. Attendance next Town Council meeting Apr14, 2015
  - 2. Next KCC meeting Apr 15, 2015
  - 3. Volunteer tracking time
- VIII. Town Council Liaison Jon Cesolini, Alt Ed Grandelski, none present.
- IX. Adjournment 10:00 PM