



**KILLINGLY CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES**



WEDNESDAY, January 15, 2020  
7:00pm

Room 102  
KILLINGLY TOWN HALL  
172 MAIN STREET, DANIELSON, CT

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm by KCC Chair, Donna Bronwell.

**II. Roll Call**

Attending: Donna Bronwell, Jean Mountford, Bonni Piccione, Andy Hansen, Richard Fedore, Bruce Kohl, George Basilick, Jacob Gadbois, Marina Capraro

Absent without notice: Sharon Fekete, Ralph Cartier, Mark LaPrade

**III. Citizens Participation**

A motion was made to suspend rules around citizens participation and allow all citizens to fully participate in discussion; motion seconded; all in favor; motion passed.

**IV. Minutes**

**A. Oct 16, 2019 – Regular Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made to adopt the October 16, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes; motion seconded; all in favor; motion passed.

**B. Dec 04, 2019 – Special Meeting Minutes**

Bonni found an error in the December 4, 2019 Special Meeting Minutes under 'Business', 1b.

Marina agreed to amend the minutes to accurately reflect the discussion that took place. A motion was made to adopt the December 04, 2019 Special Meeting Minutes with corrections; motion seconded; all those in favor; motion passed. Additionally, Donna suggested that the author of the minutes be noted for the record going forward.

**V. Business**

**A. Welcoming new members Jean & Jacob**

Marina provided new members Jean & Jacob with packets of information. The group went around and everyone provided an introduction of themselves and why they are involved with the Killingly Conservation Commission.

**B. KCC Website: Updates, review of design & content**

Marina and George provided a brief update of the new website, challenges they are facing in design, and they requested that the group take a look at the website to provide suggestions. They also asked that everyone email any pictures they would like included on the website to Marina.

**C. Budget Update**

The KCC has a total of \$2157 left over to spend by 07/01/2020. Jacob made the suggestion for the KCC to "boost" its Facebook page, to get more user engagement from Killingly residents. Marina will look into the cost of this and provide a report at the February meeting. Marina asked the group to budget for events they'd like to put on this year, so that we will know what the KCC has leftover to potentially spend on a forest management plan for Chase Reservoir. Donna stated that she would like to organize a bus tour for the spring- approximately \$900.

**D. Chase Reservoir Forest Management Plan: Budget and management goals**

Richard reported the need for a cutting in the woodcock habitat on Chase Reservoir land. A discussion ensued about the logistics for machinery to do this, as well as our management goals for a forest management plan at Chase. Bruce suggested that we contact a forester-in-training at UConn or Yale to see if it is possible to get a forest management plan with a smaller budget. Marina agreed to follow up on this option. Marina & Jacob expressed desire in accompanying Richard to the area that needs mowing.

**E. Litchfield Ave: Trail development, stewardship tasks, scheduling a work day**

Jean is interested in stewarding this property, but a walk through the property in November revealed a need for a clean-up. Marina requested that the commission allow her to go forward with applying for The Last Green Valley's Earth Month/River Clean-Up funding; a motion was made to allow; the motion was seconded; all in favor; motion passed. A discussion ensued about the date of this clean-up event, and it was decided that it would take place on Friday, April 25, 2020. Additionally, the walk Jean & Marina took on the property revealed a need for a board walk to cross over a very wet area to access the rest of the property. Jacob has contacts with the local Boy Scout troop and will gauge their interest.

**VI. Correspondence to the Commission**

None.

**VII. Town Council Liaison – Mark LaPrade**

Town Council Liaison was not present.

**VIII. Other**

**A. Next Town Council Meeting – Special Meeting February 04, Regular Meeting February 11**

**B. Next KCC meeting – February 19, 2020 at 7:00 pm**

**C. Green Team Initiative**

Donna shared about her positive experience at the recent conference at QVCC, Sustainable Waste Management, hosted by NECCOG. High quality presenters from organization "WasteZero" and the Conservation Law Foundation provided great information. She stated that she would like to bring this information to the residents of Killingly, to form a sub-committee that is more focused on issues of sustainability, waste, etc. Marina will look into what is required of forming a subcommittee.

**IX. Adjournment**

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting; motion seconded; all in favor; meeting was adjourned at 8:53pm

*These Meeting Minutes were authored by  
Town of Killingly staff, Marina Capraro  
on 01/21/2020*

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