



WILTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

**Wednesday, March 2, 2022 – 7:00 P.M.
ZOOM MEETING MINUTES**

PRESENT: Jackie Algon (CHAIR), Frank Simone, Colleen O'Brien, Jeff Lapnow

ALSO PRESENT: Mike Conklin, Director of Environmental Affairs; Holly Kocet, Newtown Conservation Commission; Barbara Thomas, Monroe Conservation Commission; David Cote, Resident

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Ms. Algon.
- II. DRAFT PLANNING & ZONING REGULATION CHANGE FOR NATIVE PLANTS** – Holly Kocet, Newtown Conservation Commission

Ms. Thomas spoke about how she and Ms. Kocet worked with Planning & Zoning Commissions in their perspective towns to amend regulations to require native plantings. Monroe is still working to add the requirement while Newtown approved it in 2021.

III. ONGOING BUSINESS

a. Walks & Talks -

Ms. O'Brien stated she is working on an upcoming talk. Information will be shared once she confirms details with the speaker.

b. Work with other Commissions/Committees

- i) Deer Committee – Mr. Conklin advised the 2021 hunt is complete and hunter surveys have been compiled.

c. Planning & Zoning Liaison Report – Nothing to report.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

a. Townwide Clean Up Day – April 23, 2022

Mr. Conklin advised the Clean Up Day event will be scheduled for April 23, 2022. Staff and Commissioners will work together to complete preparation tasks.

b. Bradley Park Trails Discussion

Ms. Algon suggested this discussion be removed from the Agenda until further notice.

c. Allen's Meadow Proposal Discussion

Ms. Algon suggested this discussion be removed from the Agenda until further notice.

d. Wilton Go Green Zero Waste Faire June 5, 2022

Ms. Algon noted this Commission could benefit from participating in this event. More discussions will take place at a future meeting.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Special Meeting Minutes – February 9, 2022 &

Mr. Lapnow MOVED to APPROVE the Special Meeting Minutes of February 9, 2022, SECONDED by Ms. O'Brien and CARRIED 4-0-0 with all in favor.

b. Special Meeting Minutes – February 17, 2022

Mr. Lapnow MOVED to APPROVE the Special Meeting Minutes of February 17, 2022, SECONDED by Ms. O'Brien and CARRIED 4-0-0 with all in favor.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT – Mr. Cote asked for information relating to the Bradley Park Trails.

VII. ONGOING BUSINESS

a. Draft Native Plant Ordinance – Mr. Simone reviewed the draft verbiage of the new Zoning Regulation proposal for requiring native plantings in the Town of Wilton.

VIII. ADJOURN – Mr. Lapnow MOVED to ADJOURN at 8:22pm, SECONDED by Ms. O'Brien and CARRIED 4-0-0 with all in favor.

Next regular meeting will be April 6, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Liz Larkin, Recording Secretary, Environmental Affairs