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TOWN HALL

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WILTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Wednesday, September 4, 2019 - 7:00 P.M.

TOWN HALL ANNEX - ROOM A

MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT: Susan DiLoreto (Chair), Jackie Algon, Frank Simone, Jade Hobson, Jeff Lapnow

ALSO PRESENT: Mike Conklin, Director Environmental Affairs; Liz Larkin, Recording Secretary; Sarah Curtis, Resident

ABSENT: Colleen O'Brien (notified of intended absence) Brice Chaney (not notified of intended absence)

- I. CALL TO ORDER: Ms. DiLoreto called the meeting to order at 7:25 pm. Mr. Conklin noted the delayed start time was due to the site walk with Conservation and Wetland Commissioners just before this meeting.
- II. PLANNING & ZONING REFERRALS None
- III. INLAND WETLANDS REFERRALS
 - A. WET#2586(S) CANNONWOODS, LLC Cannon Road (Assessor's Map#21 Lot#13) proposed 5-lot subdivision within regulated areas

The Commissioners viewed the plans and made suggestions similar to the former application comments from the board.

Ms. Curtis commented on the application and stated her concerns.

B. WET#2587(S) STEPHENSON – 109 Highfield Road – remove and replace existing circular driveway, install curtain drain, catch basins, and underground infiltration system

The Commissioners reviewed the plans and have no comments or recommendations.

C. WET#2589(S) MOODY – 86 Stonebridge Road – proposed addition within 25 ft. of a wetland and a B100a

The Commissioners reviewed the plans and have no comments or recommendations.

IV. ONGOING BUSINESS

Mr. Simone left the meeting as he was ill.

- a. **Parks Reports** Ms. Algon noted the access to the Vista Open Space has been opened up nicely by Mr. Herter. She also noted there is a large tree down in Quarry Head. Mr. Conklin stated he thinks this is on WLCT property.
- b. Conservation Activity Log Updates

Kent Pond Management – Mr. Conklin provided an update on the carp program after speaking to the CT DEEP Fishery. The fence will need to be repaired and a new permit will be required to add more fish.

Horseshoe Pond Management – Mr. Conklin advised the green philimintis algae that is present on the pond is native to Connecticut and appears when vegetation is removed.

Walks & Talks – Mr. Conklin stated the Trout Unlimited work in the Norwalk River at Schenck's Island has been completed. He would like to engage in educational programs for residents at this site for this program.

- c. Work with other Commissions/Committees
 - i. **DEER COMMITTEE** Mr. Conklin advised the Hunter Safety Meeting took place on Tuesday, September 3, 2019.
 - ii. **TREE COMMITTEE** Ms. Algon reported that the Committee is working with Lynne Vanderslice to discuss new mandates and add more corridors for shrubs, understory and shade trees. The Committee is hoping to get one yearly contract for maintenance work of trees in the Wilton Center including trees on privately owned properties that will result in some cost savings and ensure maintenance gets done. In addition when planting new trees, the Tree Committee hopes to design for a more uniform look. She also confirmed the Zelcovia on the Town Green is being relocated the the Pocket Park and a Spruce will be planted in its place.
- d. Planning and Zoning Liaison Report

Nothing new to report.

V. NEW BUSINESS

a. POCD Discussion - Nothing new to report.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Regular Meeting Minutes June 5, 2019, Special Meeting Minutes July 15, 2019, & Special Meeting Minutes July 29, 2019

The following revision was requested for the Special Meeting Minutes of July 15, 2019:

XI. ADJOURN "Mr. O'Brien" should read "Mr. Simone".

Mr. Lapnow MOVED to APPROVE all Meeting Minutes above as amended, SECONDED by Ms. Hobson and CARRIED 4-0-0.

XI. ADJOURN – Ms. Hobson MOVED to ADJOURN at 8:56pm, SECONDED by Mr. Lapnow and CARRIED 4-0-0.

Next meeting will be October 2, 2019.

Respectfully submitted, Liz Larkin, Recording Secretary, Environmental Affairs