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WILTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

WEDNESDAY May 2, 2018 – 6:00 P.M.

TOWN HALL ANNEX - MEETING ROOM "A"

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SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

- I. PRESENT: Susan DiLoreto (Chair), Frank Simone, Jade Hobson, Jackie Algon, Brice Chaney
- II. ALSO PRESENT: Mike Conklin, Director of Environmental Affairs; Liz Larkin, Recording Secretary
- III. CALL TO ORDER – Ms. DiLoreto called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm.
- IV. Review Conservation Commission Plan of Conservation & Development (POCD) Questionnaire Answers for Milone & McBroom

Question 4 discussed: The Commissioners discussed the Section of the POCD relating to "Three highest priority initiatives that CC is currently pursuing, should be pursued and relevant to a comprehensive plan for next 10 years".

The board discussed including stronger language in the Stone Wall Guidelines. Mr. Conklin suggested requesting native plants for new developments while developing actions required to correct issues that may be detrimental to the ecology of Wilton.

Reorganize response as follows:

- a. Stewardship of Open Space
 - i. Continue to improve the accessibility and natural ecology of all Parks and Open Space under the Commission
 - 1. Enhance the character of Wilton
 - 2. Education of future stewards (citizens)
 - ii. Work with Wilton Land Conservation Trust and Board of Selectmen to continue to improve how we steward our conserved land with restrictive easements to ensure:
 - 1. Public trust
 - 2. Ensure access and use where appropriate
 - 3. Create opportunities for acquisition of future conservation restrictions
- b. Actions: Identify and develop and implement corrective actions of issues detrimental to the ecology of natural systems in Wilton.
 - 1. Recommend use of native plants for site plans under a form of review.
 - 2. Conserve and infiltrate water on site wherever possible
 - 3. Protect and enhance the Norwalk river through Dam removal and increased use of riparian buffers.

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*Minutes have not been reviewed by this Board and may be subject to revision in future minutes.

c. Education as written.

Ms. Algon agreed to type the responses and circulate prior to the next meeting on June 6, 2018.

- XI.** ADJOURN – Ms. Algon MOVED to ADJOURN the meeting at 7:07 pm, SECONDED by Mr. Chaney and CARRIED 5-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Liz Larkin, Secretary, Environmental Affairs