

**Conservation Commission
Regular Meeting
January 9, 2019
Municipal Center
Room 302
7:30 pm**

Minutes

Present: Marge Burris, Jeffrey Sepko, Lisa Lozier, Randall Paz, Devon Tyrrell

Absent: Jason Arnold

Staff: Garrett Daigle, Interim Town Planner

Visitors: None

A. PADEREWSKI POND – no updates.

B. MAIL AND COMMUNICATIONS

Chairman's report - Marge went over the correspondence that was received.

C. MINUTES

A motion was made by: L. Lozier to approve the regular meeting minutes from December 12, 2018 as written.

Seconded by: R.Paz

All in Favor 4 to 0- 1 abstains Devon Tyrrell

Minutes Approved

D. OLD BUSINESS

1. Website – Marge will look at it again to make sure it is all set.
2. Fracking Waste Ban Discussion – ongoing, waiting to see if a bill is introduced at the State Level. More information should be available for the February meeting.

E. FINANCIALS

1. TREASURER'S REPORT

Garrett went over the Treasurer's Report.

A motion was made by: L. Lozier to accept the Treasurer's Report.

Seconded by: R. Paz

All in Favor 5 to 0

Motion Passes

2. Appropriations - None

F. NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by: L. Lozier to add "Earth Day Ideas" as number 3 under New Business.

Seconded by: R. Paz

All in Favor 5 to 0

Motion Passes

1. **Proposed project in conjunction with Tomasso Nature Park** – Garrett and Marge talked about a proposal that passed Inland / Wetlands to bring in sand to assist turtles at the Tomasso Nature Park to nest and lay their eggs in the spring. Garrett explained that there should be enough sand left over after the winter from the Roadways Department to put there, if the winter is mild. If not, he asked the commission if they are willing to pay for the sand as part of an Earth Day Project for the Commission. The commission agrees that this is a good idea and are willing to help.

Marge to see if Art Marino from Tomasso Nature Park would like to attend the February or March meeting to discuss further.

2. **Water and Power a California Heist** – meeting at Bristol Public Library on 1/26 at 10:30 am.
3. **Earth Day Ideas** – The commission talked about possible ideas for projects for Earth Day.
 1. **Seeds** – The commission is interested in distributing milkweed and wildflower seeds as done in previous years. Garrett to check on prices for the seeds, envelopes and plastic bags for the next meeting.
 2. **Linden Tree** – Lisa reported that Evergreen nursery has one more Linden Tree if the commission is interested in planting it at Linden Street School.
 3. **Butterfly Gardens at Schools** – this was done previously. Possibility of doing one at the High School with the Environmental Club. Will be discussed at future meetings.

4. Pad Pond Clean Up – the commission talked in previous meetings about the possibility of coordinating a clean up with the Pad Pond sub committee members. Marge to email the group to see if they are interested in participating.

G. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

1. Land Acquisition Committee – nothing to report.

H. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

I. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by: L. Lozier to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 pm

Second: R. Paz

All in Favor 5 to 0

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Dahlstrom
Recording Secretary