

**Conservation Commission
Regular Meeting
May 11, 2016
Municipal Center
Room 302
7:30 pm**

Minutes

Present: Eric Levy, Randall Paz, Lisa Lozier, Roberta Lauria and Marge Burris
Friends of Paderewski: Elaine Belanger, Tammy Duprey, Trudy Pelletier

STAFF: Robert Lee, Town Manager, Rosemary Morante, Town Council Liaison

Absent: Sue Holcomb

I. G. Paderewski Pond – Sub Committee

Motion to move item G to number 1 by: L. Lozier

Second: R. Paz

All in Favor 5 to 0

Motion Passes

John Bossi, Town Engineer looks at area and residents that have property that borders the pond. Some residents have boats on the pond. Those are not an issue. However Robert Lee reported that one resident has stacks of wood on Town Property. The resident will receive a letter explaining that the wood needs to be moved.

Robert Lee reported that the rest of the residents will receive a general letter this week.

Robert Lee contacted some companies to test the sediment and water. The residents will be contacted once completed with the results.

Robert handed out a spreadsheet to the commission that documented the rainfall and oxygen levels.

The committee members asked that Robert ask that the company takes the temperature of the water too. The committee also requests to know the depth when the temperature is taken.

Members expressed concern about oils that might be coming from the roadwork that was completed recently in the area. Robert does not think that will have a significant impact to the pond.

II. Minutes

Minutes to table minutes until the meeting in June by: L. Lozier

Second: R. Paz

All in Favor 5 to 0

Motion Passes

III. Mail and Communications

CT Wildlife Subscription will be addressed at next meeting.

IV. Old Business

- A. Trails - no update
- B. Website – training is coming up
- C. River Clean up – completed
- D. Earth Day – Lisa worked with the 3 Elementary Schools planting flowers.
- E. Fishing Derby – no update
- F. Shed inventory – no update
- G. Paderewski Pond – addressed above
- H. Fracking – no update

V. New Business

1. Recording Secretary – discussion; will be on a temporary basis for 3 months and then reevaluate.

Motion to elect Jennifer Dahlstrom as a Temporary Recording Secretary for the Conservation Commission for a period of 3 months, will be reassessed in August by: R. Paz

Second: E. Levy

All in Favor 5 to 0

Motion Passes

VI. Misc Items

1. Tilcon proposal moving ahead.

2. Marge asked Robert if it is ok to send a letter on the Conservation Commission letterhead to thank the people that volunteered for the River Clean up. Robert thinks it is a good idea.

3. Lisa mentioned that Hamlin Pond is getting over grown. She will keep an eye on it and address it with the commission at a later date.

4. Eric presented his fishing line container. The commission likes it. Eric to bring finished container to next meeting.

5. Marge sent an email on 4/19 requesting that the Town Manager provide a cost breakdown from DEEP of what work would be included in the estimated cost of \$100,000 per square acre to dredge Paderewski Pond if the dredging should become a possibility. Robert Lee to report to the commission.

6. Marge sent an email on 4/19 requesting that the Town Manager submit to the commission on a monthly basis written documentation of any work, testing and adding of eggs done at Paderewski. The information should be included in the notes. Robert Lee to report to the commission.

7. Marge sent an email on 4/20 requesting that the any work done at Paderewski be done to Federal and State requirements.

8. Marge sent an email on 4/20 that the Town take a baseline water sample to determine what hazardous materials may be in the water. The commission recommends that the sample to include bacteria, metals, pesticides, herbicides, chemicals, organic and inorganic or anything else that might be harmful to people living in the area. Robert Lee to report findings to the commission.

VII. Appropriations

1. Lisa presented her receipts for the cost of planting flowers for Earth Day.

Motion to pay \$319.05 for Earth Day plantings for Lowe's and Lisa. \$302.06 to Lowe's and \$16.99 to Lisa by: R. Lauria

Second: R. Paz

All in Favor 5 to 0

Motion Passes

VI. Adjournment

MOTION: L. Lozier made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 pm.

SECONDED: R. Paz

VOTE: Unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Dahlstrom
Recording Secretary

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