

TOWN OF PLAINVILLE CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Meeting held on March 9, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm.

In attendance were Marguerite Burris, Roberta Lauria, Randall Paz, Eric Levy, and Lisa Lozier.

Absent was Sue Holcomb.

Also in attendance were Robert Lee and Rosemary Morante, and guest speaker, Chuck Lee, an environmental analyst with the DEEP, to address the fish kill.

Attached is the list of attendees from the "Friends of Paderewski Pond."

Randall Paz made the motion to change the order of the agenda. Lisa Lozier seconded and all were in favor.

Chuck Lee had come to the pond in December having been there @20yrs. ago. His understanding is that the pond is ground water fed and storm water fed. His feeling is that the die off occurred from a dissolved oxygen situation. Recommendations would be to start monitoring for dissolved oxygen levels. Some of the ways to deal with this can be costly. Dredging can be up to \$100,000 per acre. A dredging feasibility study would be helpful if this is to be considered as an option. A fish tissue analysis would need to be done if this happens again. If there is a red coloration of the water again, samples should be taken. There should be no dumping of leaves or grass clippings in or around the pond. The trees that are there should remain. Any unusual weeds can have a picture taken of it and it can be sent to him. He recommended talking to Don Mysling about the restocking of any fish.

There was no report from the "Friends" and Mr. Lee. Mr. Lee asked if any Commissioners might have any questions about the recent Tilcon presentation about expanding the quarry. Having helped to formulate and serving on the past Open Space Sub-Committee, Lisa Lozier wondered if the referendum passed several years ago about bonding up to \$900,000 for the purchase of open space/easements had a statute of limitations. Mr. Lee said that referendum is still "good."

At this point Eric Levy made the motion to return to the agenda. Randall Paz seconded and all were in favor.

SECRETARY MINUTES- Eric Levy made the motion to approve the minutes from last month's meeting. Roberta Lauria seconded and with Randy abstaining, all were in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT- Same as last month, the Operating Expenses have a total of \$1618.69. Lisa Lozier made the motion to approve. Randall Paz seconded and all were in favor.

MAIL AND COMMUNICATION-

Copies of "The Habitat" were distributed.

Marge had sent an e-mail to Mr. Lee about having Jennifer Siskind do a seminar about the hazards of fracking and the waste.(see attached)

Lisa Metayer sent an e-mail about updating our website info by the 15th of the month, because the town site was going to be changing.

Marge received an e-mail from Mr. Lee registering the town for the addling, listing

Dave Emery as the 'agent.'

OLD BUSINESS-

TRAILS- There was nothing at this time.

WEBSITE- Randy will get the info sent as requested by Lisa Metayer.

RIVER CLEANUP- Eric will take the lead for the Q. River cleanup in May.

EARTH DAY- Lisa will be contacting the schools within the next couple of weeks. Also this will be the last year she will be doing this program after 16 years.

FISHING DERBY- Roberta reported that the MSP PTC got back to her and they are looking forward to doing the concession.

SHED INVENTORY- There is nothing new at this time.

FRACKING- Mr. Lee recommended that the Conservation Commission take the lead in having the seminar. Roberta thought it would be a good idea to find out what Jennifer Siskind's credentials are before we would do this.

NEW BUSINESS- The Commission needs a Secretary since Lisa needed to resign last month at least for a bit while she deals with elder issues. Randy said he would give it a try as a temporary thing. Roberta Lauria made the motion to have Randall Paz become the Secretary for the Commission temporarily, effective for the April meeting. Eric Levy seconded and all were in favor.

MISC.- Lisa addressed the Tilcon presentation that she had attended. The company would like to expand their quarry sight onto Class 1 protected Watershed land in Plainville that the city of New Britain owns the water rights to. In exchange, the towns of Plainville and Southington would receive open space, Plainville- 157 acres and Southington-75 acres. This will come before the CT. Legislature and permission will be granted or denied there. Lisa had her open space map from 2004 to give the Commission a better idea of where the area was that was under consideration. Members questioned what we could do if anything. Rosemary had also attended that evening. She said it was Senate Bill 300 (SB300). Roberta suggested to e-mail state legislators to say you were against it. This merits watching.

APPROPRIATIONS- There were none at this time.

Eric Levy made the motion to adjourn at 9:50pm. Roberta Lauria seconded and all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa R. Lozier

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Friends of Pad Pond Attendance List

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Jimmy DePrey

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Recommendation to Town Manager - Special Meeting to Review Fracking and Impacts on Plainville

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Robert, at the meeting of the Conservation Commission held on February 10, 2016, the Commission approved a motion to recommend to the Town Manager that the Town contact Jennifer Siskind (jsiskind@fwwlocal.org) of the Food & Water Watch organization (www.foodandwaterwatch.org) to conduct a seminar at Town Hall regarding the hazards of fracking and fracking waste. The possibility of fracking waste being trucked into Connecticut for disposal may become a reality and the Commission is quite concerned with possible ramifications to the Town of Plainville and its citizens. We also recommend that State Senator Henri Martin and other representatives in the Plainville area be invited to this meeting, as well as the City Manager of Bristol and any other officials you may deem necessary. The eventual outcome of this meeting would be to institute an ordinance that would ban fracking waste coming into, or through, Plainville.

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