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**Brooklyn Conservation
Commission Regular Meeting
August 2, 2021
Clifford Green Building and Virtual Meeting
7:00pm**

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Katherine Bradley
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Present: Diane Wimmer, Jeannine Noel, Dana Heilemann, Carolyn Teed-Ives, Richard Calarco and Melissa Bradley & Sara Deshaies; Recording Secretary

Also Present: Rick Ives

1. **Call to Order:** D. Wimmer called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.
2. **Minutes of June Meeting:** C. Teed-Ives made a motion to approve the June minutes. D. Heilemann seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.
3. **Budget 2020-21:** *Agenda error s/b 2021-22: D. Wimmer states she did not get an email this year requesting budget funds. R. Ives states it was sent to all boards and commissions, he apologizes if Conservation was missed. D. Wimmer mentions the commission would like to get the signs repaired at Creamery Brook and believes there is enough money in the budget to do so. Also suggested were the disc golf signs on the Davis side. There should also be some money in the budget for training if the need should arise.
4. **New Business**
 - a) **Subdivision Reviews:** D. Wimmer did not receive any correspondence on any subdivisions. The last three recommendations from the commission were submitted to the last Planning & Zoning meeting.
 - b) **Other:** None
5. **Old Business**
 - a) **Sustainability:** R. Calarco spoke with the office at UCONN regarding sustainability and they are planning an online training in November. No dates set yet but will most likely be two days.
D. Wimmer states after August 15th it will be safe to begin cutting things back, the ground nesters will be gone by then. It isn't possible to do around here before April 15th so in the fall is good time.

- b) **Other:** D. Wimmer spoke with the middle school principal and discussed after school activities such as a garden club and also master gardener. D. Wimmer will look for volunteers that can help.

D. Heilemann discussed how overgrown an area is (Audio did not pick up most of her discussion)

R. Ives reports the Town, in conjunction with the Health Department, will have a tent at the Brooklyn Fair. NDDH will have a vaccine clinic at the school prior to the fair and if you receive the Pfizer vaccine, you will receive a free admission into the Brooklyn Fair. There will then be a vaccine clinic set up at the Brooklyn booth where they will receive their second shot. Various departments will be there as well, such as Recreation selling tickets to Fear night (previously Spooky Nights), Town Clerk will process dog licenses, and more. D. Wimmer would like to participate as well. They discuss setting up the backboard for "Save the Water" and provide some trail maps. R. Calarco will contact UCONN and ask them to provide some information. Volunteers are needed in 2-hour time slots, Rick will send the sign-up sheet with times around. The Brooklyn Fair opens on Thursday, August 24 and runs until Sunday, August 29th.

The parks and trails are covered in poison ivy. D. Wimmer asks if we still have someone who is certified to spray for poison ivy, etc.. R. Ives answers no. R. Calarco states he can do that.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 7 due to the holiday.

6. Correspondence: None

7. Public Comment: None

- 8. Adjournment:** R. Calarco made a motion to adjourn the meeting. D. Heilemann seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:33pm.

Respectfully Submitted;



Melissa J. Bradley
Interim Recording Secretary