

**Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 4, 2019
7:30pm Clifford B. Green Building**

Present: Diane Wimmer, Dana Heilemann, and April Lamothe; Recording Secretary

Absent with notice: Jeannine Noel

Also Present: Aaron Kerouac

1) Call to Order: Diane Wimmer called the meeting to order at 7:35pm.

Diane Wimmer made a motion change the agenda to read 'Minutes of January' instead of 'Minutes of December.' Dana Heilemann seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.

2) Minutes of January: Diane Wimmer made a motion to approve the January 7, 2019 minutes. Dana Heilemann seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.

3) Budget 2018-2019: Diane Wimmer has not received anything about the budget.

4) New Business:

a) Subdivision Reviews: None

b) Ag Interest in Sustainability Report:

- Diane Wimmer met with Rick Ives about Sustainable CT and he wanted to make sure that the Conservation Commission would take point on the project. Diane Wimmer said that the Board of Selectmen should have voted on the issue on January 31st Meeting.
- Sandra Brodeur spoke to Diane Wimmer about how the Ag Commission would be interested in helping with the Sustainable CT project. The Commission would like to work with them.

c) Other: Earth Day will be held on April 13th.

5) Old Business: Dana Heilemann mentioned planting for Earth Day and that she has not received any seed catalogs yet. Diane Wimmer would still like to broadcast the wildflower seeds. She would like to plant milkweed and Dana Heilemann mentioned purple coneflowers. She also mentioned that Rick Ives would like them to look over the mowing schedule.

6) Public Comment: Aaron Kerouac asked if there were going to be any type of Conservation programming coming up for the Town; Diane Wimmer mentioned that the Commission will be following the Town's lead for Earth Day, along with planting at Riverside Park. She also mentioned that Sustainable CT might include some programming. Aaron Kerouac said that he knows of people that would like to conserve their land, but are not sure how to go about it. Diane Wimmer suggested reaching out to CLEAR and the Extension Center/Master Gardener. Aaron Kerouac mentioned having an issue with ponding water; Diane Wimmer mentioned rain gardens as a solution.

7) Adjournment: Dana Heilemann made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm. Diane Wimmer seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.

Sincerely Submitted,
April Lamothe
Recording Secretary