

**Conservation Commission
Corrected Special Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 10, 2019
7:30pm Clifford B. Green Building**

Present: Diane Wimmer, Jeannine Noel, Dana Heilemann, Carolyn Teed-Ives, and April Lamothe; Recording Secretary

Also Present: Sandra Brodeur

- 1) **Call to Order:** Diane Wimmer called the meeting to order at 7:34pm.
- 2) **Approval of Previous Minutes:** Jeannine Noel noted a correction; under 4) New Business,
 - a) Davis Park Trails, tresses should be changed to trees. Jeannine Noel made a motion to approve the May 6, 2019 minutes with the change. Dana Heilemann seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.
Carolyn Teed-Ives made a motion to approve the May 13, 2019 minutes. Dana Heilemann seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.
- 3) **Budget 2019-2020 and 2018-19:** Diane Wimmer told the Commission that the 2019-2020 budget was pasted last week. She also mentioned that Rick Ives added a \$1,000 to the budget to be used for Sustainable CT, if needed. Diane Wimmer finally spoke with Doug Gagnon about the signs to find out that he did not create the signs. He will look at the **sings signs** to see if he can repair them. Dana Heilemann mentioned that the 'no motorized vehicles' sign at Riverside Park had been taken down, but was left. Jeannine Noel will try to post the sign again.
- 4) **New Business:**
 - a) **Subdivision Review:** None
 - b) **Work for the Summer:** Jeannine Noel received the seeds from The Vermont Wildflower Farm. She had purchased two honeybee seed mix, one deer resistant seed pack, hummingbird/butterfly seed mix, and a deluxe mix. The Commission will plant the seeds on Saturday, June 15 at 9am.
 - c) **Signs:** Covered earlier in the meeting.
 - d) **Walktober:** Diane Wimmer asked Sandra Brodeur to speak about the Walktober event that the Ag Commission is hosting. Sandra Brodeur said that Charles Langevin had mentioned the path along the river that has fishing history from old piers to Native American fishing spots. The State archeologist will be along for the walk from Langevin's property to Davis Park. The event will be held on November 2, 2019, which is also the 75th Anniversary of The Last Green Valley.
- 5) **Old Business:**
 - a) **Family Fun Day:** Diane Wimmer reported that Family Fun Day went very well with approximately 150 children planting. She spent approximately \$40 on pots, sunflower seeds, etc. She gave the extras to Parks and Recreation for Summer Camp.
 - b) **Planting:** The planting will take place on Saturday, June 15 at 9am.
 - c) **Sustainability project:** Diane Wimmer reported that the school solar panels was passed during the budget meeting. She spoke with Superintendent Patricia Buell about using the solar panel project for Sustainable CT. Patricia Buell will communicate with Diane Wimmer about the panels the energy plan. Diane Wimmer also spoke with the principles at each school about Sustainable CT and they are open to working with the Committee on

the projects. Diane Wimmer suggested putting together a calendar of all the events in Brooklyn to see how they might be able to integrate events with Sustainable CT actions. It was suggested to have a table at the Walktober event explaining Sustainable CT and/or having pamphlets for people to take. Sandra Brodeur suggested having a table at the Brooklyn Fair for the Ag Commission and Sustainable CT; maybe having something to do with sustainable farming. It was also suggested having garbage bins for compost, paper, garbage, etc. at the Brooklyn Fair/school. The bins could be placed at the Conservation Commission booth and the Elks Club area. The Commission will look into compost bins. Discussion ensued. Diane Wimmer received an email from Alexis Meehan who is the new intern for the summer with Sustainable CT.

- There will be a special meeting on July 8, 2019 at 7pm to install the rain barrel at the Town Hall. At the next regular meeting, the Commission will input the trash bags into Sustainable CT.

d) Signs: Covered earlier in the meeting.

- 6) Correspondence:** Diane Wimmer mentioned that Matthew Lohbusch asked about having a child/parent disc golf championship and having some of the members help trained the new players.
- 7) Adjournment:** Jeannine Noel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:36pm. Dana Heilemann seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.

Sincerely Submitted,
April Lamothe
Recording Secretary