

**Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 3, 2020
7:00pm Via WebEx**

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

Also Present: Rick Ives

- 1) **Call to Order:** Diane Wimmer called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.
- 2) **Approval of Previous Minutes:** Jeannine Noel made a motion to approve the July 2, 2020 minutes. Dana Heilemann seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.
- 3) **Budget 2020:** No report.
- 4) **New Business:**
 - a) **Subdivision Reviews:**
 - **Prince Hill Subdivision:** Diane Wimmer reported that the owner asked for a conservation easement for the Prince Hill Subdivision, which is stated in the Prince Hill Rd Subdivision Attachment. The owner, in the Permanent Conservation Easement Covenant (pg 18-19), stated their provisions for the easement. This subdivision does not connect with any other open space. Approximately 10% of the easement is considered wetlands. Discussion ensued.
 - ◆ Dana Heilemann mentioned that she would like the easement not to be disturbed by construction. Discussion ensued.
 - Carolyn Teed-Ives made a motion to recommend that the proposed permanent conservation easement covenant be accepted with the additional provision that while construction and building is underway that the owners take preventative measures to ensure that the conservation easement area is not disturbed and that it remains intact in its current natural state. Dana Heilemann seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.
 - ◆ **Church Street Subdivision:** Diane Wimmer reported that the owner asked for a conservation easement for the Church Street Subdivision, which is stated in the Church Street Subdivision Attachment. The owner, in the Permanent Conservation Easement Covenant (pg 16-18), stated their provisions for the easement. Jeannine Noel commented that the subdivisions back up to the gravel operation. Discussion ensued.
 - Jeannine Noel made a motion to recommend that the proposed permanent conservation easement covenant be accepted with the additional provision that while construction and building is underway that the owners take preventative measures to ensure that the conservation easement areas are not disturbed and that they remain intact in their current natural states. Dana Heilemann seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.
 - b) **Email Re Open Space:** Diane Wimmer explained that the other lot (Subdivision Potential Attachment) that was going to be reviewed was not yet ready to be reviewed.
 - c) **Other:** None
- 5) **Old Business:**

- a) **Sustainability:** Diane Wimmer gave some information to UCONN, but she still needs updated electric bills. Rick Ives said he would get the bills to her. The Commission will continue to work on Sustainable CT once the threat of COVID-19 has passed or lessened.
- b) **Other:** None
- 6) **Public Comment:** None
- 7) **Adjournment:** Dana Heilemann made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm. Carolyn Teed-Ives seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.

The next scheduled meeting of the Conservation Commission is **Tuesday**, September 8th.

Sincerely Submitted,
April Lamothe
Recording Secretary