

Brooklyn Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
Clifford B. Green Memorial Building
September 6, 2016
7:30 PM

Present: Diane Wimmer, Jeannine Noel, Michael Oatley, Harry Adams, Charlotte Merrill, and Dana Heilemann.

A Motion to approve the August 1, 2016 meeting minutes was made by J. Noel.
Seconded by H. Adams. No discussion. Unanimously approved

New Business, Subdivision Reviews: None

New Business, Discussion of Land that Abuts Riverside Park: D Wimmer stated that First Selectman Rick Ives said the Board of Selectmen may contemplate purchasing a couple of acres of property that abuts Riverside Park. The owner has approached the Town about purchasing the parcel. This would allow for frontage on Day Street. No action is needed at this time.

New Business, Other: None

Financial Matters, Budget: D. Wimmer displayed the new banner she had printed along with 200 additional copies of the Source Water Protection brochure. The total bill came to \$109, \$9 over the \$100 the Committee authorized Ms. Wimmer to spend.

A Motion was made by J. Noel to authorize D. Wimmer to spend the additional \$9 required. C. Merrill seconded. No discussion. Unanimously approved.

Subcommittee Reports, Event Planning, Source Water Presentation at Brooklyn School Open House: D. Wimmer stated that Marc Cohen will speak at this event. She plans to attend as well. The Source Water Protection brochure will be made available to the public.

Old Business, Spooky Nights: D. Wimmer reported that Parks & Recreation Director Bucky Lohbusch has made arrangements for Woodstock Academy to take the spot normally occupied by the Conservation Commission for Spooky Nights.

Mr. Lohbush has inquired whether the Conservation Commission would like to submit an entry for the Fall Festival Scarecrow Contest. No decision was reached regarding this invitation. The Fall Festival is being held on September 24 and 25. Other events include an apple pie contest and a scavenger hunt. Vendors will be on hand, selling food and craft items.

Old Business, Marc Cohen Presentation to Windham County Conservation Consortium: J. Noel reported that Mr. Cohen will be making a presentation to the Windham County Conservation Consortium later this month. The event will be held at the Windham County Extension Center. She will e-mail the Commission members with the date and time of this event.

Old Business, Park Maintenance: J. Noel expressed concern about the maintenance of Creamery Book. There is erosion and some areas have been taken over by grass. In addition, the letters are peeling off the sign and the picnic table is rotted. M. Oatley noted that there are likely some issues at Davis Park, including deep ruts and erosion. J. Noel stated that Riverside Park is in relatively good shape. D. Wimmer requested that J. Noel e-mail the photos she took of Creamery Book to the Commission members as well as First Selectman Rick Ives.

Old Business, Other: D. Wimmer reported that she is getting good feedback on the disc golf course. In other news, the Norwich Bulletin recently published a nice write-up, featuring the Town's parks and trails, about things to do in Brooklyn.

Correspondence: None

Public Comment: None

A Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by H. Adams. Seconded by M. Oatley. Unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Hopkins
Recording Secretary