

**TOWN OF BARKHAMSTED
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 2016**

Chairman Christina Lavieri called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were James Hart, and Sharon Neumann-Lynes, and alternate, Tom Andersen. Also present was Zoning Enforcement Officer, Debbie Brydon and intern, Natalia Zagula.

Andersen was seated for John Polderman.

NEW APPLICATIONS: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

PENDING APPLICATIONS: None

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Hart made a motion to nominate Christina Lavieri for Chairman, seconded by Neumann-Lynes. Lavieri made a motion to nominate James Hart as Secretary, seconded by Andersen. Hart made a motion to close the nominations, seconded by Neumann-Lynes and unanimously approved. The vote on both motions was unanimously in favor of the nominations.

PRESENTATION BY DEB SIMON ON WILDLIFE HABITAT ALONG THE GREENWOODS TRAIL.

Deb Simon, a Field Research Biologist and Naturalist read the attached presentation regarding the wildlife along the proposed Greenwood Trail and let the commission know that she would be available at any time for a site walk. Chairman Lavieri welcomed Deb Simon and thanked her for all her volunteer hours, but advised her that no application would even come before the Planning and Zoning Commission.

DISCUSSION REGARDING DRAFT PLAN OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

Natalia Zagula advised the commission on some of the comments from the second Forum on Economic Development in Town. She also asked the commission members to continue reviewing the draft Plan of Conservation and Development as it progresses. She presented the commission with a draft of the survey that will be sent to 1500 residents the first week in February. The survey was reviewed and a few changes were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Neumann-Lynes made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting on December 10, 2015, as presented, seconded by Andersen and unanimously approved.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ANY OTHER BUSINESS LEGAL AND PROPER TO COME BEFORE SAID MEETING: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Chairman Lavieri reminded the commission members about the next forum on January 27, 2016 at 7:00 pm at the Town Garage for the Housing discussion

Neumann-Lynes made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm, seconded by Hart and unanimously approved.

James Hart
Secretary