

Barkhamsted Conservation Commission

Thursday March 5, 2015

Barkhamsted Town Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Meeting called to order at 7:42 p.m. by Chairman Scott Johnstone.

Members present: Mario Santoro, Ginny Apple, Deb Simon, Bill Winchester and Scott Johnstone.

Absent: Khea Cook, Sue Mckitis-Perillo, Lynn Bartulucci and Roger Behrens.

Special Guests: None

Scott made a motion to approve February minutes as read. Deb seconded. Motion unanimously approved.

Old Business:

- Resource list review: Deb has added some new items to the resource list.
- Mario made some adjustments to zoho.com site, but was finding additional issues including limited number of e-mail addresses available. He moved to google.docs and is testing this site by sending link to a few members before making switch.
- Ginny presented new information on 2nd annual Barkhamsted Earth Day Celebration to be held on Sunday April 26th. A rain date is set for Sunday May 3rd. She has added commitments for booth and/or lecture presentations from the MDC and a decoy designer. The fire department will provide additional lighting in pavilion. Bill will mention event at upcoming Barkhamsted Lions Club meeting. Last year the Lions Club volunteers assisted in cleanup along the river.

Meetings/Seminars:

Lynn did not attend her scheduled Planning and Zoning meeting. Mario reported the meeting he was scheduled to attend was cancelled.

New Planning and Zoning meeting schedule: March 12th—Lynn; March 26th – Scott.

New Business:

- 2015 CT. Land Conference is March 21st at Wesleyan University. Deb is planning to attend.
- Mario suggested members consider as our next topic of focus the plight of the Honey bee and Monarch butterfly.
- Deb announced the 2nd meeting concerning the proposed Greenwoods bike path will be held Monday march 30th at the Community Center. Ginny is attending.

- Our annual poster contest for students at the Barkhamsted School is approaching. Plans and ideas will be finalized at April meeting.
- Aquarion Water Company is holding a contest called Environmental Champion Awards Program. The deadline is May 6th with an award of \$2500.00 in the form of a grant to the winner. Volunteer commissions like BCC can enter to win. Scott made a motion to have every member bring a list of nominees to next meeting to vote on. Ginny seconded. Motion unanimously approved.

Correspondence: No Correspondence reported. Scott distributed the CACIWC newsletter to members.

Ginny made a motion to adjourn meeting at 8:33 pm. Deb seconded. Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted by Bill Winchester, Secretary.