

Barkhamsted Conservation Commission

Thursday February 5, 2015

Barkhamsted Town Hall, 7:30pm.

Meeting called to order at 7:37 by Chairman Scott Johnstone.

Members present: Mario Santoro, Ginny Apple, Sue Mckitis-Perillo, Deb Simon, Bill Winchester, Lynn Bartolucci, and Scott Johnstone.

Absent: Khea Cook

Special Guests: None

Ginny made a motion to omit the last paragraph of January minutes. Lynn seconded. Motion unanimously approved. October minutes still in review.

Old Business:

Scott to discuss with Khea the whereabouts of the October minutes.

- Resource list review: no one has any new updates or additions at this time.
- A discussion about traveling to the Thompson property off Lavander Rd. to look for possible wildlife to record for the resource list ended with everyone agreeing to set time aside in spring for such a field trip.
- Lynn presented an early version of a potential website for the commission. The development of a site is in part due to the difficulty members are still having logging onto zoho.com. Lynn will continue to work on development of prototype.
- Ginny has been sworn in. Sue Mckitis-Perillo is our newest member and was formally introduced. She has volunteered to take on collecting information on historic points of interest in town for our resource site.
- Deb attended the meeting concerning the proposed Greenwoods bike path and gave the commission members a review of the issues discussed. This included her professional input in regards to the environmental impacts such a path would have on and the wide array of animals, plants and reptiles that are found in this area. The overall takeaway from those present at that meeting was the proposal would be a hard sell at this point. A second meeting is possible, but would need to include additional maps, visual aids and hard data to support the proposal.
- No one attended any Planning and Zoning meetings in January. Upcoming Planning and Zoning meeting schedule: Lynn- February 12th, Mario- February 26th.

New Business:

No Correspondence reported.

Ginny discussed 2nd annual Barkhamsted Earth Day Celebration to be held on Sunday April 26, 2015. This will be the main topic of discussion in our March meeting.

Deb spoke to the CT. DOT concerning stump grinding on Ripley Hill back in late fall. She was happy to report that the task was recently completed.

Scott made a motion to adjourn meeting at 8:32 pm. Ginny seconded. Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted by Bill Winchester, Secretary.