

Barkhamsted Conservation Commission
Meeting, May 4, 2017
Town Hall

Meeting called to order at 7:45 p.m.

Members present: Scott Johnstone, Ginny Apple, Mike Schulde, Mario Santoro

Absent: Mike Beauchene, Roger Behrens

Tabled acceptance of minutes to next meeting.

Old Business:

Resource List: No new information provided, still a work in progress.

Plan of Conservation and Development: Scott attended P&Z on 4/13/2017. Shared information about the POCD discussion. It is being rewritten. BCC is waiting for the new draft.

4th Annual Barkhamsted Earth Day Nature Festival: Ginny reported that it was a great success because of all the volunteer help. Around 600 folks attended.

Cutting of Ash Trees in Town: Scott met with First Selectman Don Stein who requested that the BCC create an inventory of ash trees along roads in Barkhamsted.

Though the BCC recognizes that many ash trees will be overtaken and killed by the Emerald Ash Borer, thus making falling limbs a danger to road traffic, it determined that further discussion must follow with Don regarding the following questions: 1) What is the goal? 2) How does it connect with the Conservation Commission; 3) How could the BCC possibly do a survey of this magnitude with a small number of volunteers?

Some suggestions included surveying a sampling of the Town's roads; have road crew identify ash trees as they are out on the roads.

Meetings/Seminars Attended: Scott attended P&Z on 4/13/2017

New Business: None.

Correspondence: None.

Upcoming Meetings: P&Z 5/11 Mike S to attend; and 5/25 Mario to attend.

Scott made a motion to adjourn and Ginny seconded. Meeting ended at 8:51 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Mario Santoro