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**Town of Vernon  
Conservation Commission Meeting  
Monday, October 17, 2016  
7:00pm  
Probate Conference Room, 1<sup>st</sup> FL  
Vernon Town Hall, 14 Park Place Rockville / Vernon, CT**

**DRAFT MINUTES**

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**1. Call to Order & Roll Call**

Meeting was called to order at 7:04pm by Chairman Ryan Goad. Present were Commission members James Simon and Richard Clark.

Staff Present: Town Planner Marina Rodriguez

Recording secretary: Kathleen Minor

**2. Administrative Actions**

**A. Acceptance of minutes of September 19, 2016 meeting.**

A motion to accept the minutes was made by James Simon. Ryan Goad seconded and the motion passed unanimously

**B. Communications Received**

- July/August issue of CT Wildlife

**C. Letters sent by Conservation Commission last month**

A letter dated September 27, 2016 was sent to the Inland Wetlands Commission regarding IWC-2016-03 with Commission recommendations.

**D. Organizational considerations**

The Commission is in need of new members.

**3. Open Space Program Update**

Discussion regarding the pile of soil from road work on the eastern Valley Falls parcel. Ryan Goad will follow up with Town Administration and Staff.

**4. New Business**

**A. Application Review and Comments**

**Application (IWC-2016-05) of Richard Korris for a Wetlands Permit to conduct activities in a regulated area for #129 Talcottville Road (Assessor's ID: Map #02, Block #0004, Lot/Parcel #00078).**

- Updated site plans were revised on 10/14/16.
- After discussion, Chairman Ryan Goad made a motion that the Conservation Commission will draft a letter to the Inlands Wetlands Commission with recommendations that will include the following:
  - The 200ft set back from Hockanum River is not shown on the plans
  - The increase to the impervious area around surrounding the area and the steam outfall possibility

- Request clarification of north intermittent and south central perennial stream and discuss vernal pool

Ryan Goad made a motion to send a letter to the Inland Wetlands Commission regarding concerns and recommendations relating to IWC-2016-05. Richard Clark seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

## **B. Natural Resources Update**

Commissioner Goad reminded that Solar power and the Trails Day Hike items be removed from future agendas.

### **Bolton Lakes Issues**

Commissioner Ryan Goad reported that the Bolton Lakes Watershed Conservation Alliance (BLWCA) will be holding a forum for lakes on October 27, 2016 at 7pm at the Town of Bolton Town Hall. This is sponsored by the Friends of Bolton Lake, but is beneficial to all towns associated with the lake.

### **Future Activities**

The bi-annual Greater Vernon Holistic Healthfest is scheduled for Spring 2017 and will be a good opportunity to focus on recruitment to this Commission.

Commissioner Goad noted that the turnout for the Riffle Bio Assessment by Volunteers (RBV) project that took place on October 15, 2016 was good.

## **5. Other Goals**

No discussion

## **6. Adjournment**

Richard Clark made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ryan Goad seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:53pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Kathleen Minor  
Recording Secretary