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CONSERVATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 21, 2011, 7:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 3RD FLOOR, 14 PARK PLACE
ROCKVILLE/VERNON, CT.

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MEMBERS PRESENT: Scott Wieting, Thomas Ouellette, Ryan Goad, H. Russell Kunz

RECORDING SECRETARY: Blanche Perillo

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M. by Scott Wieting.

2. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

A. Acceptance of Minutes of February 28, 2011

- Page 1, Section 2.A – January 24, 2010 must be changed to January 24, 2011.
- Page 2, Section C – March 22, 2010 must be changed to March 22, 2011.
- Page 2, Item #4 – add Ann Lentendre as a member of the steering committee.
- Page 2, Item #5 – Correct spelling "George Knoecklein".
- Page 3, Item #9 – add " The owners received a letter from USACE – no action necessary.

Motion was made by Thomas Ouellette to accept the minutes as amended.
Second motion made by Ryan Goad. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Communications

- The Habitat
- Tom Ouellette mentioned the 2011 Connecticut Land Conservation Conference will be held on Saturday, April 30, 2011. Scott Wieting will contact Len Tundermann regarding funding if members wish to attend.

C. Application related Correspondences: IWC & PZC applications:

None

D. Letters sent by Conservation Commission last month

Tom Ouellette sent out seven letters to property owners regarding vernal pool inspections.

3. PLAN OF CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT

Revisions are being made now. There will be a presentation in April.

4. LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT (LID) GRANT APPLICATION

Members of the steering committee are Thomas Ouellette, Chip Bellows (independent), Ann Lentendre, Charles Bardes, and Victor Riscassi (alternate).
Ryan Goad volunteered to be an alternate.

5. AQUATIC INVASIVES

Funding for the surveys has not been approved. A letter will be composed seeking permission from property owners regarding access for inspection.

6. BOLTON LAKES ERT

No action

7. SCENIC ROADS

Russell Kunz will drive through Elm Hill Road for observation and report to the Commission.

8. WEB SITE, EDUCATION & PUBLIC OUTREACH

The Conservation Commission will participate in the Vernon Healthfest on Saturday, March 26, 2011 and Sunday, March 27, 2011. Various shifts were scheduled for members to cover the booth.

Suggested materials to be available at the booth will be:

* Invasive Species Information
* Display of ponds scheduled to be inspected for Invasive Species
* Photographs of unique parts of the town
* Sign up sheet for membership for the Conservation Commission along with meeting schedules
* Sample of pervious pavement
* Applications for membership

9. TALCOTTVILLE MILL PROGRESS ON WETLANDS REMEDIATION

No Action

10. OPEN SPACE PROCESS

No Action

11. VERNAL POOLS

Letters were sent to seven property owners. Two responses have been received. One response from a property owner was an approval for inspection. Inspection will be done late March or early April. Thomas Ouellette will send a letter to the mayor regarding funding.
This letter will be sent in time to get on the agenda for the Town Council's 4-5-11 meeting.

12. OTHER GOALS

Scott Wieting will volunteer to mark new trails.
Membership

13. ADJOURNMENT

Scott Wieting adjourned the meeting at 8:48 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Blanche Perillo

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