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10 Minutes of Monthly Meeting

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13 The Wilton Conservation Commission held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at
14 7:00 pm in the Library History Room.

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16 **Call to Order:** Bart Hunter, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

17 Those attending were:

- 18 • Members: Bart Hunter, Jeff Stone, William Mahar, A. Preston.
- 19 • Absent: Jennifer Beck
- 20 • Guests: Adam Royds, Peter Howd, Sandy Lafleur and Felice Fullam.

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22 **Old Business:**

- 23 • **Minutes:** Reviewed the minutes for our last month's meeting, April 2, 2019. A motion was
24 made by W. Mahar and seconded by Jeff Stone to accept the minutes. **The motion passed.**
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26 • **Budget and Expenditures:** B. Hunter indicated there was nothing new to report.
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28 • **ZBA:** J. Stone indicated they will be hearing the Clemens application this week. He also
29 indicated that last month they heard an application to allow a two-family dwelling on a
30 previously subdivided lot, each of which is just under the required 1 ac. for such use. The
31 Commission also welcomed Peter Howd as an alternate to the ZBA.
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33 • **Planning Board:** B. Hunter indicated that there is a case regarding excavation on Isaac Frye
34 Highway by the South End Cemetery. Further discussion was had regarding this case.
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36 • **Frog Pond:** J. Stone indicated that he had just visited Frog Pond this morning. He indicated
37 that everything is looking really nice and green. He also indicated that the fire ring was picked
38 up and clean. He also indicated that there was an issue with the seepage weir. It was flowing
39 2.4 gal per min, 5 minutes after clearing a blockage in the outflow, but it may not have reached
40 steady-state by then and he would have to remeasure it. He also indicated that the height of
41 the water at the dam was quite normal for this time of the year.
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43 • **Forest Management:** W. Mahar indicated that there is one new timber cut. He also indicated
44 that there is no new information for current use.
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46 • **Wildlife Sightings:** Members mentioned the sighting of a fox, a bear and four cubs, and three
47 pair of wood ducks.

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49 **New Business:**

- 50 • **AllTrails App:** This is a trail navigation app. It was decided to table this discussion until J.
51 Beck returns.
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- 53 • **Excavation Application – Nathan & Kristine Chamberlin:** After previous discussion, it was
54 decided to table any action on this. B. Hunter suggested that we consider a joint meeting with
55 the Planning Board.
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- 57 • **Debrief on the Horseshoe Project/Meeting with Select Board:** B. Hunter indicated that two
58 members of the Select Board agreed to sign the Option to Purchase agreement on the land
59 surrounding “The Horseshoe”.. B. Hunter indicated he had electronically filed the Intent to
60 apply for an LCHIP grant today. More discussion was had regarding the process of the grant
61 application and purchasing the property.
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- 63 • **Update on Sweezy outreach and follow-up plans-** B. Hunter indicated one letter came back
64 undeliverable and he has not received a response to the other.
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- 66 • **Debrief on SSF event.** Sandy LaFleur said a big Thank you to the Commission for the
67 donation to the SSF. She also indicated that there was some confusion with the invoicing and
68 that the Commission had given the SSF \$450 more than was required. She indicated that she
69 can send us a refund or use it as a donation for next year.

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71 She also indicated that the SSF is now a 503c non-profit on the federal level. She also
72 indicated that there were at least 420 attendees, people from about 20 different zip codes.
73 She also indicated that Nikki Anderson led the hike. It was suggested that next year SSF
74 contacts all the landowners to get permission to walk their property next year as this is an
75 organized hike and not just single individuals.
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77 S. LaFleur indicated that NH Saves has contacted them and is interested in doing a button up
78 series for next year. She indicated that they would like to get the documentary “Chasing Coral”
79 in the fall.
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81 She also indicated that Town trash pick up is this Saturday.
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83 A motion was made by J. Stone and seconded by B. Hunter, to donate the \$450 overpayment
84 from LCHIP monies for next years SSF. **The motion passed.**
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- 86 • **ROST –** A. Preston indicated that he went to the last meeting. He indicated there was
87 discussion about paying attention to all permits issued. He indicated that the Forester spoke
88 on pesticides. A. Preston also indicated that if we were to spray, we are covered under the
89 Town umbrella, however, someone would have to get certified in this process.
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91 **Old Business:**

- 92 • **SoRLAC:** W. Mahar indicated that SoRLAC is asked to make approvals on permits for
93 alterations after the fact. He indicated there was discussion and it was determined they would
94 be writing a letter to DES regarding this.
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96 **Adjournment:**

- 97 • A motion to adjourn was made by W. Mahar and seconded by A. Preston. **The motion**
98 **passed.** B. Hunter **adjourned the meeting 7:40 pm.**
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100 Respectfully submitted,

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102 Jeanette Vinton, WCC Recorder

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104 APPROVED: 06/04/2019

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