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Minutes of Monthly Meeting

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13 The Wilton Conservation Commission held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 4, 2019 at 14 7:00 pm in the Library History Room.

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

Those attending were:

- Members: Bart Hunter William Mahar, Jennifer Beck, Leslie Tallarico, and Jeff Stone.
- Absent: Al Preston
- Guests: Adam Royds, Peter Howd, Bill Ryan, Liz Foward.

Old Business:

- **Minutes:** Reviewed the minutes for our last month's meeting, May 7, 2019. A motion was made by W. Mahar and seconded by J. Beck to accept the minutes. **The motion passed.**
- **Budget and Expenditures:** B. Hunter indicated that he had received a notice that the Treasurer, DJ Garcia, wrote to the auditor's asking about the process of transferring funds to the Conservation Commission.
- **ZBA:** J. Stone indicated that the Serenity Tea case was heard. The application was approved with stipulations.
 - J. Stone indicated that a new case is coming before the ZBA next week. It concerns The Greenman's who purchased a 2+ acre lot, A-052, which was an approved subdivision in July of 1980. At this point, J. Stone recused himself from the discussion of this case. He sat in the visitor's section.
 - B. Hunter then went over the case history. He indicated that there is a stream that runs through the property. It is seasonal and exits over from the Taylor's old place. A motion was made by J. Beck and seconded by W. Mahar to draft a letter to the ZBA letting them know that the Conservation Commission is against this variance. It was also suggested to put in a request for a soil scientist to test the soil as well as asking for a site walk. The **motion** passed.
- Planning Board: B Hunter indicated that there is a case before the Planning Board on a lot next to the South Cemetery. It involves lot F-03 now owned by the Chamberlain's. Their application asks to remove incidental gravel in the amount of 189 cubic feet. J. Stone indicated that it would take 13 feet right out to the walls of the lot or 33 feet over the whole lot. When this case was originally brought before the Board it was denied.

Discussion was had, and it was concluded that they could still build a house there even if the gravel was not removed. It was suggested that a letter be drafted by B. Hunter to the Planning Board.

- B. Hunter also indicate that the Planning Board was starting to rescind some building permits at the Hawthorne Drive project. This is due because an agreement was signed to put in either a cistern or fire pond. The fire pond they did put in failed, and a new one has never been rebuilt.
- Frog Pond: J. Stone indicated that he had done the walk this morning. He said everything was in good condition. He did find one plank on the bridge that has a piece missing. He also suggested that the Tannery Brook Bridge should be re-inspected before any other vehicles go over it. He indicated that the one of the bridge rails is now completely off, but it does not really have an effect on the bridge. He also suggested we inspect the pedestrian bridge for safety.
 - J. Stone also indicated that the lawn has been moved by the Maple Street access.
- Forest Management: W. Mahar has nothing to report at this time.
- Wildlife Sightings: No new sightings.

71 New Business:

- AllTrails App: J. Beck indicated that we should all take a look at this application. It uses
 crowd sourcing to get its information. She indicated that there are no Wilton trails on this app.
 She indicated that this would be a great resource. It could help people get out there and
 walking. We could start to develop a program around it. She indicated that Kat Tighe is still
 willing to do kiosk at Riverwalk. She is willing to put maps there that indicated where you are
 and then different trail maps. Discussion was had on how and who to try to help out.
- L CHIP J. Beck informed us that our Letter of Intent to Apply has been accepted. She indicated that we had to change the number of the full project amount which put the whole project cost at an increase. She also indicated that the application is due June 28th. She indicated that she had taken the workshop and has learned a lot. J. Beck asked for the whole Commission's help in filling out the application. She is willing to take any suggestions or ideas. This is a very difficult application to fill in and it needs to be perfect. J. Beck does not know the chances of this being approved, but it is our chance to link three major water sources, Garwin Falls, Horseshoe Falls and the reservoir together. She indicated that the financing is relatively simple because we have all the numbers spelled out.
- J. Beck indicated that we need to make a motion to put money aside for this project. After lengthy discussion, it was determined once we know the monetary value of our accounts, we will have a special meeting to determine how much we will put toward this project.
 - **SorLac:** W. Mahar indicated there was not meeting.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by J. Beck and seconded by J. Stone. The motion passed. B. Hunter adjourned the meeting 8:51 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanette Vinton, WCC Recorder
APPROVED: 07/02/2019