## **BOLTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

# Minutes

Regular Meeting Monday, October 2, 2017 7:00 p.m. TOWN HALL

Members present: Rodney Parlee, Brenda Cataldo, Peter Van Dine

### 1.0 Preliminaries

- **1.1 Call Meeting to Order** The Chairman, Rod Parlee called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.
- **1.2 Approval of Agenda** A motion was made by Peter Van Dine, seconded by Brenda Cataldo to approve the agenda with an amendment to add, 5.6 Peak Foliage Hike, under Unfinished Business. The motion passed unanimously.

# 1.3 Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting on September 7, 2017

A motion was made by Peter Van Dine and seconded by Rod Parlee to approve the regular meeting minutes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

## 2.0 Public Comment- none

- **3.0 Correspondence-** Rod Parlee noted the following correspondence:
  - September 21, 2017 letter from, CT Land Conservation Council (CLCC)- confirming membership and also stating that the CLCC Conference will be held on March 17, 2018 at Wesleyan University.
  - Friends of Valley Falls Newsletter 2017 Fall Issue
  - The Habitat 2017 Summer Issue
  - Manchester Land Conservation Trust Resolution for a forestry plan in Risley Park.
  - October 1, 2017 Hartford Courant- Local News "Bridge Coming" article.
  - Connecticut Wildlife Magazine- July/August 2017 Issue

## 4.0 Financial Report-

- **4.1 4.2 Accounts Balance** The Treasurer reported on current balances, transfer of funds, expenditures and encumbrances.
- **4.3** The members discussed the importance of payment confirmation.

### **5.0 Unfinished Business**

- **5.1 Review Calendar** Rod Parlee made a motion to allow the FBL to advertise for free in our 2018 Calendar, seconded by Brenda Cataldo. Peter Van Dine recused himself. The motion passed unanimously. Brenda Cataldo reviewed the calendar pages. The Commission will review the final calendar draft at our November Meeting. Commission members will be seeking advertisers for the calendar.
- **5.2 Stream Temperature Monitoring Report** Peter Van Dine and Rod Parlee collected all 6 temperature monitors. Peter Van Dine suggested that the BCC continue doing stream monitoring every year.
- **5.3 Pet Waste Station Installations** Rod Parlee reported that John Butrymovich had installed 2 pet stations at Freja Park and Herrick Park. Rod Parlee will send a thank you letter to the MLT.

- **5.4 Rifle Bio Planning and Publicity-** Rod Parlee will send a promotional letter for Peter Van Dine to review and circulate. Rod Parlee will write a press release for the Journal Inquirer.
- **5.5 Workparties-** The Commission will review the trail condition before its Peak Foliage Hike.
- **5.6 Peak Foliage Hike-** The members agreed to lead a foliage hike on October 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:00 p.m

#### **6.0 New Business**

- **6.1 Petrin Property site walk report-** Peter Van Dine did a presentation of images taken while on the site walk along with showing corresponding maps.
- **6.2 Photo Contest Publicity-** Brenda Cataldo will post a flyer at Town Hall.
- 6.3 BLWCA Special Meeting on October 12, 2017- With special guest Shelly Jewell to speak on ways to obtain grants. FBL will hold their forum on October 19, 2017 with Professor Robert Thorson, at Camp Newhoca Lodge in Vernon.
- **6.4 Tree Protective Action Network-** Rod Parlee made a motion to add the BCC to the new database for tree preservation, Peter Van Dine seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- **6.5 CACIWC Conference Participation-** All 3 members will be attending. The Commission will not table at this event.
- **6.6 Outreach Ideas-** A letter will be part of the 2018 Calendar, which will include the need for stream monitoring and trail improvement volunteers. A flyer will also be posted at the Freja Park and Herrick Park kiosk. Members will contact residents on membership openings.

## 7.0 Approval of Clerk's Invoice

Peter Van Dine made a motion to approve the clerk's invoice as submitted and was seconded by Rod Parlee. The motion passed unanimously.

7.1 Adjournment- A motion was made by Peter Van Dine, seconded by Brenda Cataldo to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectively submitted,

Brenda Cataldo

**Conservation Commission Member** 

Please see the minutes of subsequent meetings for the approval of these minutes and any corrections hereto.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 2, 2017, 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall.