

WOODSTOCK CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

Date: May 19, 2008

Place: Woodstock Town Hall

Time: 7:30pm

Members Present: Paul Wilbur, Bet Zimmerman, David Lee Volz, Jean Pillo, Lee Wesler, Hope Hartland, Medora Fraga

No alternates.

Members of the public: James Graham

Minutes: Accepted as written.

Treasurers report:

Medora provided details of paid expenses and the commission voted to encumber funds for printing costs of the upcoming revision of *APOSC*. She also is keeping aside the \$690.00 for the signage at Roseland Park.

Communications:

Notice of the Natchaug floating workshop.

Old Business:

Development review committee: Adjustments to the WA playing field were reviewed recently and discussed with the commission. Concerns were raised regarding the lack of a buffer zone to wetlands and the under-drainage that may occur. Jean explained that as the volume of storm water raises the velocity of water moving into Roseland Lake increases eroding already fragile soils. Ultimately this could affect the Little River Valley and the drinking water supply of Putnam. The WCC voted to ask an outside expert agency to weigh in on the long term effects. (Medora abstained from voting). *Action: Bet to contact Tina Lajoie and ask to have a copy of this DRC report sent to the IWWA.*

Open Space updates: An inventory list of open space is in process and will be made available when completed.

Town Lands (Forestry): No report.

Mapping updates: No report.

Trails inventory: No report.

Conservation Easements: Hope still compiling data and making binders. None fully complete as yet, most require site pictures and GPS coordinates attached.

Watershed signage: Jean made an attempt to meet with the Roseland park BOT to ask for permission to put up signage on the opposite side of their rules board.

Vernal Pools: WCC to apply for mini-grant from Quinebaug-Shetucket. Cheryl to possibly write application but not present. *Action: Jean to contact Cheryl and ask if she intends to apply for grant.*

New Business: Paul explains the goals and objectives of the WCC to possible member, James Graham. Each member presents a brief background and present duties within the WCC to Mr. Graham.

Chairman, Paul Wilbur, formally presents his resignation to the commission. Members begrudgingly accept said resignation noting all his many contributions and strengths. Paul is credited with rejuvenating a commission and expertly utilizing the many varied talents of members throughout his ten plus years of service. The commission members thank Paul for his dedicated service and express their chagrin over his departure.

Meeting adjourned 9:30pm.

Respectfully submitted by Hope Hartland.

These minutes not official until approved.