

# Woodstock Conservation Commission

## Meeting Minutes

April 24, 2023 - 7:00 p.m.

### Zoom virtual meeting

1. **Meeting called to order at 7:02p.m.**
2. **Members present** - C. Adams, J. Allard, L. Barefoot, B. Bernard, G. Jacobson, J. Pillo, M. Robie, P. Spaeth, J. Stern & L. Wesler
3. **Seating of alternates** – J. Kaeding
4. **Approval/Amendment of minutes** – P. Speath moved to approve, L. Barefoot seconded, all in favor.
5. **Public Participation** – None
6. **Treasurer's Report** – \$491.02 in the budget and \$2,161.22 in the Special Fund 25. J. Pillo suggested purchasing a D. Taleme book and donating to local libraries. Motioned by J. Kaeding seconded M. Robie all in favor. J. Pillo will follow up on this.
7. **Chairperson's report** – Nothing further than reported below.
8. **Communications** – Copy of letter received by J. Pillo and L. Davison renewing their appointments to the commission and clarification of J. Allard as a full member. Letter from Aquarion looking for nominations for this year.
9. **Old Business:**
  - a. DRC Report – None
  - b. OSLA&APC – No
  - c. P&Z report – Nothing concerning us.
  - d. Ag Commission – Celebrating AG will be Sept. 23,2023. G.Jacobson will confirm our participation at the event which will take place at the Brooklyn Fairgrounds.
  - e. Stewardship – M. Robie offered to forward her spreadsheet and G. Jacobson offered to look it over and J. Kaeding offered to help where needed.
  - f. Pollinator Pathway Project – J. Pillo suggested we establish a Pollinator Pathway Garden at the Grange that would be clearly visible to townspeople as it is right along Rt. 169. Voted to approve purchase of two shrubs in the amount of not more than \$150.00, motioned by G. Jacobson, seconded J. Stern, approved by all. J. Pillo will follow-up on this before the end of the fiscal year.
  - g. Sustainable CT. – Nothing new that isn't on their website. C. Adams spoke with K. Wolslegel and will speak with him again by the middle of next month to gauge his involvement.
  - h. Review of Eversource Plan – B. Bernard had a tag left on her door which she offered to scan and send along to the group as J. Allard spoke with our Tree Warden, B. Rathbone and was informed that he (as the Town contact) had received nothing from Eversource about the trees along Child Rd. that have been taken down. As a group, we do not feel that Eversource is doing what they promised and this is very concerning and deserves follow-up. C. Adams offered to forward any questions to Eversource. L. Wesler will write up a letter with some of our concerns and questions.
  - i. Review of Special meeting – L. Wesler has reached out to Ken several times and invited him to our meetings but to date we have not heard back from him. It was suggested that he get in touch with the Sustainable CT group which C. Adams says that she will contact him again.
10. **New Business**
  - a. Notice/review of past/upcoming workshops – LGV is hosting a training at Roseland Lake on May11 from 10-2 on Water Quality Training – registration is necessary – contact J. Pillo. B. Bernard offered CFPA Newsletter for events and training, she will forward to G. Jacobson who will forward to the group. Thames River Basin Day will be June 9<sup>th</sup> at Project O – J. Pillo will forward info as it becomes available. Zoom webinar from Sierra Club tomorrow if anyone is interested.
  - b. Open Discussion – Nothing further than discussed above.
10. **Adjournment** – 7:58 pm motioned by B. Bernard, seconded by J. Stern, all in favor.  
L. Wesler, Chairperson.

Link for Zoom meeting: [https://youtu.be/hr\\_1F5WsK5k](https://youtu.be/hr_1F5WsK5k)

Note: *These minutes have not yet been approved by the Conservation Commission. Please refer to minutes from the next meeting for approval/amendments. Respectfully submitted by G. Jacobson, WCC Secretary*