



CITY OF DANBURY
DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

Conservation Commission

October 21, 2013
7:00 p.m.
City Hall – Room 3C
Meeting Minutes

The meeting opened at approximately 7:10 p.m.

Members present: Linda Murray - Chairwoman, Ed Prybylski – Vice Chairman, Shaun McColgan - Secretary, Kim Botelho, Ed Moore, Peter Jennings - Commissioners. Elyse Jasensky, Jack Robbins – Tentative Alternates.

Absent/Excused: Brian Batterson

Guests: None

Item: Approval of minutes from September 16, 2013 meeting. Motion to approve by Ed P., seconded by Kim, and approved by all.

Public speaking: None

Reports:

Still River Greenway (SRG): The next meeting of the Still River Alliance (SRA) is scheduled for 10/30. Their celebration was very successful.

The City Council has established an ad-hoc committee to look into a change of status of the SRA into an authority. Lin will keep the commission posted.

Old Quarry Nature Center (OQNC): Ed P. and Brian have done work on clearing trees off trails. There is an ongoing squatter problem. At least two tents have been noted on the property. Nick Kaplanis, The Parks Department Director, will be notified and a request filed to remove the tents and other property left at the campsites.

Elyse has sent out flyers to all teachers in Danbury, Ridgefield, and Brookfield. Several field trips have already been conducted and others are scheduled.

Bear Mountain Reservation (BMR): A few trails still have some trees partially blocking them. Some of the trails are in need of re-marking. Paint is available in the BMR shed for this purpose.

Farrington Woods trails: Nick Kaplanis is ordering signs for child safety and park rules to be posted near the entrance. Ongoing work continues on the trails.

Budget Management: Ongoing issue with Royal Flush over the porta-potty. There is an issue with funds being paid to various entities from the CC fund. Lin is working with the Finance Department on this.

The new budget needs to be submitted in December.

New Business:

New representative for SRA: Nothing new.



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Alternate Commissioner Status: We are still awaiting final approval notice from the Mayor's office.

Eagle Scout projects: We are awaiting final approval notice from the Boy Scouts on some changes for the Farrington project.

Other concerns: None.

Motion to adjourn by Ed P., seconded by Shaun, and approved by all.
Meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM.

Next Meeting: Monday, November 18, 2013 at 7:00 p.m., Room 3C, City Hall.
Submitted by: Shaun McColgan – Commission Secretary. 10/23/13