



CITY OF DANBURY
DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

Conservation Commission

September 21, 2015
7:00 p.m.
City Hall – Room 3B
Meeting Minutes

The meeting was opened at approximately 7:00 p.m. by Kim Botelho.
Members present: Kim Botelho, Ed Prybylski, Shaun McColgan, Ed Moore, Peter Jennings Brian Batterson, and Jack Robbins. One vacancy remains.
Absent/Excused: Rich Hale
Guests: None.
Public speaking: None.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Ed P. to approve the minutes of the June meeting. Seconded by Jack and approved by all.

Reports:

Still River Greenway Commission (SRG): Mike Smith, Chairperson, has resigned due to his moving out of state. Ed Sjersei has taken over the Chair. There has been discussion about reducing the total number of Commissioners so they can have more quorums for their meetings.

Old Quarry Nature Center (OQNC): The trails are in decent shape. There was storm damage done over the summer in the area of the Field House. Several field trips have been booked for the upcoming season. The digging problem has stopped. Boy Scouts projects are moving along.

Bear Mountain Reservation (BMR): (see new business).

Farrington Woods: (see new business).

Old Business/Key Initiatives:

None.

New Business:

Public Access to OQNC: There was discussion about park access and locking/unlocking of the entrance gate. No motions were made to change the current access.

Follow up on culvert situation at BMR: Tim Nolan is the new foreman at the Public Works Department, Parks Division. He told Kim he will be repairing the culvert problem.

Follow up on gate/sign situation at Farrington Woods: The trailhead gate was damaged, possibly by ATV's.

New commission Secretary: Shaun has resigned as Secretary but will remain as a Commissioner. Jack has agreed to be the new Secretary, effective with the October meeting.



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Time frame for Boy Scout project completion: Discussion on tracking ongoing Scout projects at various locations. No motions made on timeline.

Other:

Mowing of trails and mowing equipment: There was a discussion on what is covered under the mowing contract and suggestions on getting other locations mowed and what is needed.

2015-2016 Meetings: The following dates have been established as meeting dates for the upcoming year. Meetings are regularly held the third Monday of the month, except January and February due to holidays:

October 19
November 16
December 21
January 25, 2016
February 22
March 21
April 18
May 16
June 20

The board votes annually at the June meeting to determine if July and August meetings will be held.

Motion to Adjourn: At 7:45 p.m. Ed P. made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Elyse and approved by all.

Next Meeting: Monday, October 19, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., Room 3B, City Hall.

Submitted by: Shaun McColgan – Commission Secretary. 10/12/15