

East Lyme Commission for the Conservation of Natural Resources  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
October 12, 2016

Present: Arthur Carlson, Chairman  
Penny Heller, Member  
Mark Christensen, Member  
Don Danila, Member  
Laura Ashburn, Alternate  
Ron Nichols, Alternate

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Karen Yalms, CLK  
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Absent: Marvin Schutt, Member

Also Present: Rose Ann Hardy, Ex officio

**CALL TO ORDER.** Chairman Carlson called the October 12, 2016 Regular Meeting of the East Lyme Commission for the Conservation of Natural Resources to order at 7:05 p.m. The alternates were seated.

**I. Public Delegations.** There were no guests.

## **II Minutes.**

**A. Minutes of September 14, 2016.** Mr. Carlson asked for additions, deletions or corrections to the September 14, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes.

**MOTION (1): Ms. Heller moved to approve the September 14, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented. Seconded by Mr. Danila. Mr. Nichols abstained from voting. (4-0-1) Motion carried.**

Commission member Mark Christensen arrived.

## **III. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Goodwin Trail.** Mr. Carlson met with Victor Benni, Town Engineer, who marked the parking area on Whistle town Road and Grassy Hill Road.

Mr. Carlson, Dick Raymond (State Forester) and Kevin Lacey walked Darrow Pond. The erosion is 3' deep. Water bars will be installed to stop the erosion.

Mr. Danila reported there will be a CACIWAC Meeting on November 12.

Mr. Carlson reviewed a map of the Goodwin Trail with Commission members. He stated the map will be on the kiosk. Mr. Carlson reported Yale has received a map.

Mr. Christensen reported at a Zoning Commission Meeting they approved COSTCO. It is 300' away from the aquifer protection zone.

## **IV. OLD BUSINESS.**

**A. Continuation of Water Study.** There was nothing new to report on the Water Study.

**V. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS.**

**A. Communications.** Ms. Heller reported Tom Goodie would like to trap New England cottontails on the Roxbury Road property given to the Town by the state. Ms. Hardy suggested that they contact the First Selectman.

**B. Agribusiness Subcommittee.**

**1. Bike and Barbeque.** Mr. Christensen reported there were 235 individuals who attended the Bike and Barbeque on October 1. Five purchased meals and 230 rode bikes. The Lions donated \$630 worth of food. The 62 mile ride was the most popular. Each of the historical homes had approximately twenty visitors. Each had different venues. We paid for three state workers. Even though the weather was not good, everyone who attended enjoyed it.

Mr. Christensen reported Gary Robbins a UCONN Hydrologist will speak on Wednesday October 19 from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at East Lyme Library Archives Room on well head and aquifer protection. Coffee and cake will be served. We would like to invite Conservation, Selectmen and Planning members.

Agribusiness wishes to promote and preserve farming and educate the Town and Town officials about farming.

At our Agribusiness Subcommittee Meeting we had discussion on manure.

We are working on honeybee regulations.

**C. RBA Report--Penny Heller.** Ms. Heller reported at the moment there is not enough water to take measurements.

**D. Chairman's Report.** The Chairman had nothing further to report on.

**E. EX-OFFICIO.** Ms. Hardy reported the Board of Selectmen are considering an Independent Police Department. It will go to a Public Hearing at the next Board of Selectmen Meeting.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT.**

**MOTION (2):** **Mr. Christensen moved to adjourn the October 12, 2016 Regular Meeting of the East Lyme Commission for the Conservation of Natural Resources at 9:00 p.m. Seconded by Ms. Heller. (6-0) Unanimous.**

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Gheri, Recording Secretary