

**EAST LYME COMMISSION FOR THE CONSERVATION
OF NATURAL RESOURCES
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 14, 2017**

Present: Arthur Carlson, Chairman
Penny Heller, Secretary
Don Danila, Member
Laura Ashburn, Alternate

Absent: Marvin Schutt, Member
Mark Christensen, Member
Ron Nichols, Alternate

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Karen Mulko, Clerk
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Carlson called the June 14, 2017 Conservation of Natural Resources Regular Meeting to order at 7 p.m.

Ms. Ashburn was asked to be seated.

I. PUBLIC DELEGATIONS

There were no guests.

II. MINUTES

Mr. Carlson asked for additions, deletions or corrections to the May 10, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes.

MOTION (1): Ms. Heller moved to approve the May 10, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes of the Conservation of Natural Resources, as presented. Seconded by Ms. Ashburn. Mr. Danila abstained from voting. (3-0-1) Motion carried.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Goodwin Trail. Mr. Carlson reported Trails Day was well attended. There were forty hikers and we officially opened the southern entrance to the trail. Pictures were taken and forwarded to DEEP.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. Continuation of Water Study. Mr. Carlson agreed to write a Water Study Report over the summer.

V. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. Communications. There were no communications.

B. Agribusiness Subcommittee. Mr. Christensen was unable to be present but informed Mr. Carlson that everything has been taken care of for Open Farm Day.

The Commission will join the Agribusiness booth during Celebrate East Lyme. Ms. Heller suggested a poster on Open Space.

Mr. Danila agreed to have information from the Water Study Commission available.

C. Chairman's Report. Mr. Carlson suggested eliminating this Commission's July and August meetings, unless there are any pressing matters to take care of. There was a general consensus to cancel the July and August meetings, providing there are no pressing matters to be taken care of.

Ms. Heller asked what is the status of funding from the state for trails? Mr. Carlson replied the Planning Department is managing it. They have funded two parking lots, the kiosks and paid for new maps. Mr. Benni is in the process of obtaining logs for water bars. Ms. Heller suggested a sign to let people know they are entering Darrow Pond. Mr. Carlson stated Mr. Goeschel is working with Mr. Putnam, and they plan to put up signs. They will complete the parking area. The power poles will be removed. The debris pile will be buried. They plan to put in grass and field flowers.

Mr. Carlson plans to meet with the Town Engineer to request that a large tree on Plants Dam Road be removed.

Mr. Carlson, Ms. Heller and Mr. Danila attended the New England Forestry Foundation celebration.

D. Ex-Officio Report. Ms. Hardy was unable to be present.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION (2): Ms. Heller moved to adjourn the
**June 14, 2017 Conservation of
Natural Resources Regular Meeting
at 7:30 p.m. Seconded by Ms. Ashburn.
(4-0) Unanimous.**

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Gheri, Recording Secretary