## CITY OF SHELTON
### CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Minutes for the Regular Meeting on Wednesday, May 6, 2015 at 7:00 P.M.
Minutes should be considered a draft version until approved by CC at their next meeting.

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Present: Tom Harbinson, Chairman
Bill Dyer, Vice-Chairman
Joe Walsh, Commissioner
Pat Gajdosik, Commissioner
Teresa Gallagher, Conservation Agent

Also Present: Terry Gallagher

Absent: James Tate, Commissioner
Sheri Dutkanicz, Commissioner
Ed McCreery, Commissioner

CC minutes, submitted via tcoffice@cityofshelton.org email to City Clerk for legal posting requirements.
Tape recording of meeting available at City Clerk's office.
A. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance
Chairman Harbinson called the meeting of the Conservation Commission to order at 7:00 p.m. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Approval of Minutes
Commissioner Gajdosik moved to approve the April Minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Dyer. All in favor. MOTION PASSED.

C. Public Portion (Items Not on Agenda)
Charles Manger of Troop 101 addressed the Commission on starting his Eagle Scout project. He will be building benches with anti-vandalism in mind, and for them to blend in with the environment along the trail. He will be working with the suggestion of locations from the Trails committee. Chairman Harbinson advised Charles Manger the Trails Committee and the Conservation Commission would assist his process.

Attorney Steve Bellis on behalf of Hawks’ Ridge addressed the Commission that he is setting up some Conservation Easements. He is requesting clarification and direction on how they should be set up. Conservation Agent Teresa Gallagher questioned whether it should be conservation easement vs. conservation restricted. Discussion. Attorney Bellis commented that he will work with Attorney Welch on the particulars.

D. Trails Committee Report
- They have created the Basil Brook bypass. Guided hike sometime in July or August to officially open it up.
- Birchbank wildflower guided hike was held
- Cleared the Paugussett trail from Indian Well to Mayflower
- Terry Gallagher installed 10 map boxes at kiosks. The Lane street box has already been destroyed and fixed.
- Work on Pearmain has been done.
- National Trails Day on June 6.
- Terry Gallagher inventoried all the kiosks.
- The 10 kiosks have been divided up for upkeep among the committee members.
- The public has been showing an increased interest in the trails.
Trails committee would like improvements made to the surfaces of the Rec Path. Discussion.

114.94 in expenses for Terry Gallagher and 24.49 For Lynn Reid

Commissioner Bill Dyer made a motion for expense reimbursements for Terry Gallagher and Lynn Reid. Seconded by Joe Walsh. All in favor. MOTION PASSED.

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E. Open Space Trust Account Status

No report.

F. Budget Status: 2015-2016 proposed budget

Process is on going.

G. Review of PZC or IWC Applications for Subdivisions and/or Developments

1. Old Applications/Monitor/Follow-up
   a. PDD#77 Site Plan review, Hawk's Ridge, PZC #13-17, Long Hill Cross Road.
      See discussion of public portion with Attorney Bellis.

2. New Applications
   b. PZC#15-05, 2-lot resubdivision at 235 Thompson Street.
      Approved by Commission.

H. Ad-Hoc Committee Reports – Conservation Agent

1. Community Garden – Possible future expansions: bird house guidelines
2. Anti-Litter – Clean Sweep was in April; Pearmain Gate
3. Deer Committee- Report submitted to Aldermen, waiting for response

I. Communications (Sent or Received)

None.
J. Quality of Life – Executive Session (Land Acquisition and Security Issues)

Passed on due to member absences this month.

K. Comments By Members

Bill Dyer asked about a property acquisition on a map.

Joe Walsh commenting on Beard Saw Mill Road: someone is filling their fertilizer tank by hose with water from the river. It is a concern. Discussion on what can be done to protect for future.

Pat Gajdosik is putting rocks on her property without buying any.

L. Adjournment

Chairman Harbinson adjourned the meeting at 8:50 P.M.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is Wednesday, June 3, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,
Diana Scalenghe
Clerk, Conservation Commission