City of Shelton, Conservation Commission
Agenda for Regular Meeting of September 6, 2006 at 7:00 P.M.
Shelton City Hall, Room 303

Note: If you have questions regarding the agenda, contact Conservation Agent Teresa Gallagher @ 203.924.1555 x315

- Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance
- Approval of Minutes: August 2, 2006
- Public Portion: see footer notes
- Review of P&Z Applications for Subdivisions and/or Development
  - Upper Canal Street Master Plan (Status update)
  - Ianucci Property, Pawtucket Ave. IWC #06-16 (Status update)
  - Jeffrey Estates, Mohegan Road PZ #06-40 (Status update)
  - Vista at White Hills, Maple Ave/East Village (Status update of Open Space dedication to Shelton rather than stockpile materials and equipment for developer)
- Any Pending
- Trails Committee Report: Bill D.
- Communications: Tom H.
  - Conservation Commissioner Status (stale website data)
  - Email policy (att: agenda’s footer)
  - Open Space Committee Report
    - Open Space Ordinance (BOA passed it ThuAug10, Mayor gave non-approval letter to BOA Clerk on ThuAug17, next BOA Reg. mtg. is ThuSep14)
    - Open Space Trust Account (OSTA) (Report of Activity, Balance)
    - Usage of (OSTA) (Process to expend, what are appropriate expenditures)
- Clear-cutting of parcels (tree ordinance) Ed M.
- Conservation Agent Report: Teresa G.
  - Project Safe Trails
    - Gates (update on design standard clarification to vendors)
    - Signs (approval of recommended installation locations)
    - Mapping (update on City G/IS system efforts)
  - Open Space Marking (pins or monuments discussion)
  - Girl Scouts 7th & 8th grade Riverkeepers at Far Mill River, Pine Rock Park
  - Camping areas (address long term, requests from Girl Scouts, Boy Scout Jamboree)
  - Ecklund Garden (possible native species garden on Oak Valley Road)
  - City Composting System (past activities near Elizabeth Shelton School)
- Plan Update Advisory Committee (New Plan Effective Jul31) Jim T, Tom H.
  - Implementation Schedule
    - Open Space set-aside of 15%
    - Ensure public access to the Housatonic River.
    - Scenic Resource Inventory.
- Open Space Plan Update: All
  - Statement of Purpose, General Outline
  - Labels to parcels (suggested new classification terms)
  - Greenways – (suggested formal declaration of TrapFalls, Long Hill, Ivy Brook)
  - Schedule a Special Meeting date for work on Open Space Plan.
- Quality of Life – Executive Session (land purchase issues)
  - Shelton Farm & Forest Protection Program (2nd 2006 Application received)
  - DEP Land Acquisition Grant (identify 2007 round candidates)
  - 3 separate parcels that would append to existing Greenways
- Comments by Members: All
- Adjournment - Next Regular Scheduled Meeting: October 4, 2006

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