

TOWN OF POMFRET
CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES
MEETING OF March 12, 2015 7:00 PM
POMFRET OLD TOWN HOUSE
(These minutes have not been approved)

Members present: William Lewis, Chairman, Richard Telford, Vice Chairman, Pam Cartledge, Secretary, Walter McGinn and Elizabeth Cartier. Member absent: Cheryl Kapelner-Champ, Marcia Lewis and Mary Eliza Kimball.

- I. **Call to order at 7:00 p.m.** William Lewis, Chairman opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m.
- II. **Seat Alternate as needed – None.**
- III. **Items to be added to the Agenda – None.**
- IV. **Approve Minutes of January 8, 2015 –** McGinn made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Cartledge seconded. Approved with one abstention.
- IV. **Citizen Participation – None.**
- V. **Unfinished Business – None.**
- VI. **New Business -**
 - a. P&Z Plan of Conservation & Development - discussion of additional maps unique to CC that we would like to have made by NECOG in the future. Bill and Walter met with John Folsom and Walter Hinchman to discuss the maps which would be needed for each commission's plans. All maps would be put on the website as part of each plan. The Property Line (parcel) map, State and Town Holdings map, and Protected lands map are needed by all commissions. Walter Hinchman will go to NECCOG to discuss the maps needed. This commission will continue to decide what maps are needed for the Conservation Commission Plan of Conservation. Telford discussed updating maps annually.
 - b. Stone Wall Ordinance – There was discussion about an Ordinance for town owned stonewalls on town land. Lewis will talk to James Rabbitt about how to proceed.

- c. Fracking – There was discussion about a presentation on Fracking to be held at the Lois Orswell Award presentation. Plans need to be confirmed.
- d. CT Trails Weekend June 6 & 7 – Discuss at next meeting.
- e. Pomfret Times Articles to publicize conservation issues for public - The Conservation Commission will do an article for the Pomfret Times on Stonewall preservation and other topics of interest to the commission and our community.
- f. Fundraising ideas for scholarships – There was some discussion about asking others to help with the fund-raising.

VII. Report of other town committees, subcommittees, & workshops – The Board of Ed is in budget discussions, a 4th grade will be cut due to low enrollment. There was discussion about the various positions – retiring, new, part-time, full-time. Negotiations have started. Senior Group has 52 members. First Selectman is negotiating with TEEG for services. Woodstock Academy budget is in good shape, it is decreasing.

VIII. Communication and Mail – None.

IX. Citizen Participation – None.

X. Things to remember – Airline Trail clean up, Abington Property, Trash pick up at Canoe Launch and bring canned (or boxed) food items for the Food Pantry at the Town Hall, Chef Fresh development

XI. Adjournment – McGinn made the motion to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Cartledge seconded. Approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Morin, Clerk