

**TOWN OF POMFRET  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES  
MEETING OF January 14, 2016 7:00 PM  
POMFRET OLD TOWN HOUSE**

Members present: Pam Cartledge (Chair) Liz Cartier, Cheryl Kapelner-Champ, Mary Eliza Kimball and Walter McGinn.

Members absent: Marcia Lewis, William Lewis, Richard Telford (Vice Chairman).

- I. Call to order at 7:05 p.m.**
- II. Seat Alternate as needed – None.**
- III. Items to be added to the Agenda –** By Unanimous Consent these items were added to agenda:
  - 1) Jorge Martinez will act, at the request of the First Selectman Baldwin, as liaison between the Commission and Selectmen. This evening he will speak during Citizen Participation.
- IV. Approve Minutes of September 10, 2015 –** Mary Eliza made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Cheryl seconded. Approved. In favor: Cheryl, Mary Eliza, Walter. Abstentions: Liz.
- V. Citizen Participation –** Jorge made the following requests and comments on behalf of First Selectman Baldwin.
  - 1) Eastern Connecticut Conservation District program educates citizens about septic systems. Jean Pillo is contact person. Selectman requests chair make contact.
  - 2) Pomfret Stonewall Ordinance should be revived.
  - 3) FEMA project to gather information on local flood hazards and mitigation. Toni(?sp) Pignatelli is FEMA representative.
  - 4) Would commission oversee cemeteries?
  - 5) Meeting of commission chairs is planned for next month.
  - 6) Jorge will serve as liaison with PCC
  - 7) Requests more cooperation with Audubon and Windham Land Trust.

Commission requests of selectmen:

  - 1) Town hire secretary for Commission.
  - 2) Stonewall Ordinance be taken to town meeting.
- VI. Unfinished Business –**
  - a. P&Z Plan of Conservation & Development – Status of Plan of Conservation and Development is unknown.
  - b. Fracking- Minimal discussion.

- c. CT Trails Weekend- Commission does not yet have plans to participate. Date of weekend uncertain.

**VII. New Business –**

- a. PCC members renewed for new terms - Bill, Marcia and Rich have been reappointed to the Commission until 2020.
- b. PCC budget for 2016 - Current \$900  
\$160 has been spent for CACIWC (\$60) and CT Land Conservation Council(\$100) memberships.  
Will request professional affiliation to \$150  
Reduce printing to \$100  
Request \$1000 for Commission Secretary.  
Decrease office supplies to \$50  
Cheryl(motion), Liz(second) "Motion to approve the budget"  
In favor: all
- c. Articles for Pomfret Times - Ideas needed for Pomfret Times articles.
- d. What conservation issues should PCC pursue in 2016? - Pam requests ideas for next month.
- e. PCC webpage - Minimal discussion.

**VIII. Report of other town committees, subcommittees, & workshops –**

- a. Liz discussed activities at Woodstock Academy.

**IX. Communication and Mail – None**

**X. Citizen Participation – None.**

- XI. **Things to remember** – Airline Trail clean up, Abington Property, Chef Fresh development, stonewall ordinance, fracking ordinance, trails walk schedule in January, fundraising for scholarships, and brochure for Conservation Commission.

**XII. Adjournment** – Walter made the motion to adjourn. Cheryl seconded. Approved unanimously at ~8:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter McGinn , Clerk *pro tem*

*Minutes approved 2-11-16.*