Town of Pomfret

Conservation Commission Minutes

Meeting of Wednesday, January 25, 2023

(Zoom format due to weather) Community Center to Continue

**Members present**: Kayla Vargas (Chair), Chris Goozey, Dawn Libby, Sarah Ginnetti (needs to be appointed)

**Absent members**: Chris Coyle

1. **Call to order** at 6:10pm
2. **Seat Alternate**-None
3. **Items to be added to Agenda**-None
4. **Minutes Approved**-January 25, 2023. Motion Kayla, Dawn Approved
5. **Citizen participation**-None
6. **Selectman’s Liaison**-Pollinator Pathways Program. About seven miles of finished trail runs through Pomfret; possible location to consider.
7. **Unfinished business**-
   1. Suggest Sarah Ginnetti’s appointment to 1st Selectman
   2. Appoint Vice Chair, Secretary etc. within Commission (when applicable)
   3. Look into Pollinator Pathway opportunity for Town of Pomfret
   4. Brainstorming: Chris Coyle’s proposal-write up proposal for Planning and Zoning Commission?
      1. Coyle not present at meeting, discussion not pursued.
8. **New business**-
   1. **Kayla**-Locate property boundaries off of either side of Air Line Trail from station to Babbit Hill Road to pursue invasive removal and pollinator pathway; look into Invasives/Pollinator grants from CT DEEP or other
   2. **Dawn**-Establish Facebook page for Commission
   3. **Chris G**.-Establish connection with Sprucedale Gardens and list which plants will be useful to Pathway (best for region and pollinators) and where to locate
   4. **Sarah**-Establish meeting with Pollinator Pathway spokesperson to learn more about the process
9. **Reports of other town committees etc**.- Suggestion of attending the Conservation Commission meeting of Woodstock, CT-get ideas of their established involvement and activity as a Conservation Commission
10. **Communications and Mail**-
    1. Membership to CT Association of Conservation and Inland Wetlands Commissions (CACIWC) confirmed. Payment submitted.
    2. CT Land and Conservation Council (CLCC)-Past Commission’s membership. Renew membership?
11. **Adjournment**
    1. Motion to adjourn-Maker: Kayla Approved unanimously at 6:50pm

Respectfully submitted by: Kayla Vargas (Chair)