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there is a "Fisher Project" that her colleagues at DEEP are doing as they are tracking fisher sightings especially in the northwest corner of the state. She noted that the population in the northeast part of the state is doing ok and there is concern about the population situation in the northwest corner.

She noted that one of their new biologists, Brooks Pitman, is working on fishers and fishers were first released at Mohawk State Forest in the late 1980's.

Paul would be interested in meeting with Mr. Pitman to learn about this and write an article.

**Goshen Town Hall Walkway beds/Pollinator Garden Maintenance:** Sue and Cindy will check out the beds and Iain will order the mulch from Garret Harlow - Public Works Department.

The foundation plantings will also need mulch and will be checked. The weed guard will be checked.

**Goshen Open Space Plan 2025:** Iain suggested to please read the Plan which is on the Goshen Town website to begin review at our April meeting.

It will be reviewed, photos updated, update the metrics and any possible changes will be discussed by the Conservation Commission. Iain noted that we are required to do this.

Iain will check on the date that it needs to be submitted to Planning and Zoning Commission for the Plan of Conservation and Development 2026. Discussion was had.

**Bat Nursery Box Project:** Paul reported that the box is built and the 4x4 pole has been obtained. However, the ground needs to thaw adequately in order to install it.

An email will be sent to members to get this project done on a future weekend.

**New Business:** None

Agenda for next month was reviewed and will remain the same.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion to adjourn was made by Paul Gallo seconded by Sue Rinaldi at 6:52 pm. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

*Cynthia A. Barrett*  
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Received March 8, 2024 10:17 AM

Attest *John C. [Signature]*  
asst. Goshen Town Clerk



## **GOSHEN CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

### **Minutes - March 6, 2024, Meeting - Goshen Town Hall Conference Room and Zoom**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman, Iain Kinsella, called the March 6, 2024, meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

Present at Goshen Town Hall Conference Room: Iain Kinsella-Chair, Paul Gallo-Vice Chair and Laura Saucier

Present on ZOOM: Cindy Barrett, Annette Lott, and Sue Rinaldi

Excused: Jason Masi

#### **APPROVAL of MINUTES:**

The minutes of the February 7, 2024, meeting were mailed for review. Annette Lott made a motion to accept the minutes and it was seconded by Laura Saucier. The motion carried.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:** Iain reported the following:

- Connecticut Wildlife Magazine - November/December 2022 Issue was received. It will be in our mailbox at Town Hall if any member wishes to read it.
- Email received from Marissa Wright, Goshen resident, and was forwarded to members.
- Iain noted that any communication that he receives outside of the meetings, be it an email, phone call or other form, is shared with members.
- No other communications to report.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Torrington Water Company fishing by permit at reservoir:** Iain reported no new information. He noted that fishing is not allowed on a primary reservoir. It could be explored for the North Pond.

**Trail maintenance reports:** Iain reported that Joe Welsh, resident, did walk on the Town Hill Trail and it was all clear but wet. No other reports on trails from members.

**Bantam Lake watershed project status:** No emails received or updates on their website to report at this meeting. Laura reported that she has not received anything as well.

**East Street North trail grant discussion:** Iain reported that he has no correspondence to report on other than what was discussed at the last meeting about replacing the bridges. The Commission will talk about this next month.

**Goshen Town Topics future articles:** Iain submitted an article for the issue that was due February 19, 2024. Future articles are welcome. The list of articles had been shared and Iain would like to have one ready to go. Discussion was had. Annette and Cindy will work on one for pollinators. Laura will check on an article as