

GOSHEN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes May 5, 2021 meeting

This meeting was recorded via Zoom.US and is available as a recording on the Goshen website.

ATTENDANCE:

Present: Iain Kinsella, Gene Newell, Suzanne Newell, Paul Gallo, Laura Saucier-Krukar, Jason Masi, Suzanne Rinaldi.

Guests: Doreen Deary, Judy Armstrong, Cindy Barrett.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Iain Kinsella called the February meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

APPROVAL of MINUTES:

The minutes of the April meeting were presented for approval. Iain Kinsella made note of the fact that the end of third sentence under "Trail maintenance update" was incomplete, with a word or words missing. Gene Newell made a motion to accept the minutes, as amended with the omission as noted. There was no discussion, the motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: N/R

OLD BUSINESS:

Pollinator Pathways: Chairman Iain Kinsella noted that the Goshen Business Circle will be funding the plant starter kit, which will cover 200 square feet, at a cost of \$150.00. There will be a sign or kiosk on the site of the pollinator garden noting the work done by GCC and GBC. Suzanne Rinaldi met with the First Selectman to show him the layout of the garden. Paul Gallo has agreed to get the webinar video that was recorded by James Fischer, Research Director at White Memorial Conservation Center in Litchfield, uploaded and a link put on the Goshen town website for people to access.

Clean Energy Report: N/R

Town Topics newsletter article: Laura Saucier-Krukar will be submitting an article for the next issue on keeping bears away from bee hives and livestock enclosures with electric fencing.

Trail maintenance update: Iain Kinsella asked if anyone had taken the time to walk the trails. No one has had the opportunity. Paul Gallo has the second GCC trail camera and will be putting it out on East St. North in the near future.

Bat detector project: Member Laura Saucier-Krukar works at CT D.E.E.P. and does work with acoustic monitoring of bat species. She indicated that she is planning to set up a monitoring session with that equipment sometime in the near future to record bat species present in the area.

Bantam Lake Watershed Project: N/R



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Beech Hill land acquisition: N/R

Conservation commission vacancies: Iain Kinsella stated he's heard of no one interested in joining. The Vice Chairman position also still needs to be filled.

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NEW BUSINESS:

No new business was discussed.

A motion to adjourn was made by Suzanne Rinaldi. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Gallo Secretary

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