



GOSHEN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes October 4, 2023, Meeting - Goshen Town Hall Conference Room and Zoom

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman, Iain Kinsella, called the October 4, 2023, meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

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

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

APPROVAL of MINUTES:

The minutes of the September 6, 2023, meeting were emailed for review. Paul Gallo made a motion to accept the minutes and it was seconded by Sue Rinaldi. The motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: None received in the Town Hall mailbox and no outside correspondence received via Iain.

OLD BUSINESS:

Torrington Water Company fishing by permit at reservoir: No report at this meeting.

Trail maintenance reports: Iain reported that he did not hear from Joe Welsh regarding the bridges on the Hart Hollow Trail (Aquarion Water Company property) on East Street North. Member, Sue Rinaldi, did take pictures of the damage and shared via email with members. There were 3 bridges affected from the heavy rains. Discussion was had. Iain will contact Joe to get a report on how to handle the rebuild.

Bantam Lake watershed project status: No alerts were received by Iain.

East Street North trail grant discussion: Iain reviewed that the Commission did not get the last Trail Grant and will aim to do another with the Goshen Land Trust and Conservation Commission, and Town Recreation department collectively.

Goshen Town Topics future articles: Annette is working on an article for the next issue on the spotted lanternfly.

Goshen Town Hall Walkway beds/Pollinator Garden Maintenance: Iain reported the need for some attention on the walkway beds with weeding and trimming of the boxwood hedges on a cloudy day. Fall clean-up and trimming of hedges will be planned to take care of this walkway.

Goshen Open Space Plan 2025: The Plan is on the Goshen Town website, will need to be reviewed, and updated by the Conservation Commission for the Plan of Conservation and Development 2025.

New Business: None. The agenda for next month was reviewed.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Sue Rinaldi, seconded by Annette Lott at 6:45 pm. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia A. Barrett
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Received Oct 10, 2023 @ 11:31 A.M.

Attest Barbara Z. Beer
Goshen Town Clerk