



GOSHEN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes May 3, 2023 meeting

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Access conference call meeting by phone at 1-929-205-6099

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Iain Kinsella called the May 3, 2023, meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

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

Present on ZOOM: Cindy Barrett, Jason Masi, Sue Rinaldi, and Devin Stilson Excused: Laura Saucier-Krukar

APPROVAL of MINUTES: The minutes of the April 5, 2023, meeting were emailed for review. Paul Gallo made a motion to accept the minutes and it was seconded by Suzanne Rinaldi. The motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: Iain reported that a letter was received dated April 7 from Aquarion Water Company regarding the 13th Annual Aquarion Environmental Champion Awards which offers the chance to celebrate individuals, businesses, and organizations in Connecticut who are dedicated to environmental protection and sustainability with grants. Iain will forward the letter via email, deadline for submission is May 5, 2023, and the website for additional information is www.aquarionwater.com/awards.

OLD BUSINESS:

Torrington Water Company fishing by permit at reservoir: Iain reported that after follow-up with Barbara Breor, Goshen Town Clerk, he obtained a 10-page document regarding the termination of the use of the road. Iain will forward the documents to all members for their review and it will be discussed at the next meeting.

Trail maintenance reports: Iain reported that he did remove the tree on the south loop at the East Street North Trail and several limbs that were down near the pond. He was not able to haul the limbs off of the grass area near pond and asked that if anyone could assist in hauling limbs off into the woods. Blazes and trail markers will be checked. Iain reported that Joe Welsh was not able to walk the Town Hill Trail this past month. Devon reported on his hike on the trail that he saw there is another tree of concern on the northeast part. He will take care of it and other members will assist if needed.

Bantam Lake watershed project status: No report

East Street North trail grant discussion: Iain reported that the grant application has been submitted for the Conservation Commission and the Goshen Land Trust and will report any news as soon as he receives it. Blazes and trail markers will be checked.

Goshen Town Topics future articles: Iain will follow-up with Laura to email the list of ideas for articles around to members to review. Paul has a bobcat article ready to submit.

Goshen Town Hall Walkway beds/Pollinator Garden Maintenance: Iain reported that the front Town Hall beds have been taken care of with weed guard and 6 yards of mulch. The boxwood hedge will be trimmed by Sue and members will help as



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needed. Discussion of the walkway beds was had and will be checked for weeds but generally the existing plants do fill the bed. Edging and weeding of the Pollinator Garden also was done. Iain extended thanks to all for helping.

NEW BUSINESS: Paul asked if any help was needed on the Beech Hill Road DEEP property with boundary marking. Iain reported that he will let members know if anyone contacts him.

Agenda for next month was reviewed.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Suzanne Rinaldi, seconded by Devin Stilson at 6:54 pm. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cynthia A. Barrett".

Cynthia A. Barrett

Received May 5 2023 9:08 A.M

Attest A handwritten signature in cursive script, likely belonging to the Goshen Town Clerk.
asst. Goshen Town Clerk