



GOSHEN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes June 7, 2023 Meeting

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CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Iain Kinsella called the June 7, 2023, meeting to order at 6:34 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, Laura Saucier-Krukar, and Devin Stilson. Guest on Zoom: Damian Shanks

APPROVAL of MINUTES:

The minutes of the May 2, 2023 meeting were emailed for review. Paul Gallo made a motion to accept the minutes and it was seconded by Laura Saucier-Krukar. The motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

OLD BUSINESS: Torrington Water Company fishing by permit at reservoir: Iain reported no update at this meeting but noted that he did send the long-form, unsigned agreement to his contact at Aquarion and has not heard back from anyone.

Trail maintenance reports: Iain reported that the cut up tree limbs at the pond at the East Street North Trail have been removed. Joe Welsh checked on the Town Hill Trail and reported to Iain that there is a tree at the south entrance headed east that needs to be cut up and Iain will take care of it this weekend.

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

East Street North trail grant discussion: Iain reported that we did not receive the grant. Joyce Mowrey did get awarded the AARP Grant for benches for some of the trails for the Conservation Commission and Goshen Land Trust. The amount of the grant monies received was not known at this time.

Goshen Town Topics future articles: Paul submitted the bobcat article to Virginia Perry, Laura had circulated the list of topics to members, and Devin will work on a tick article. Iain will work on an article as well. Article topics were updated by Paul, were discussed, and he will circulate the updated list to members so that articles can be worked on.

Goshen Town Hall Walkway beds/Pollinator Garden Maintenance: Cindy reported that she planted marigolds, sunflowers, cosmos and zinnias in the pollinator garden. Edging had been done last month, weeding done this month, and growth of the existing plants is good. Trimming of the boxwood hedge will be done on the walkway bed.

NEW BUSINESS: No update on the Beech Hill property from Laura. Resident, Damian Shanks, had an inquiry regarding dead tree removal on his land on Pond Ridge Drive that borders with Goshen Land Trust land. He will email Iain and clarification will be obtained regarding removal.

Agenda for next month was reviewed and pollinator garden will be added.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Suzanne Rinaldi, seconded by Paul Gallo at 6:57 pm. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attest *[Signature]*
Assistant, Goshen Town Clerk