



The Woodbridge Conservation Commission

Regular Meeting

February 21, 2019– 7:30PM
Board Room, Town Hall
Woodbridge, CT

MINUTES

In attendance: Jason Morrill, Julie Perlman, Leland Torrence, Lauren Miller

Absent: Traci Cipriano, Karen Sklarz, Frank DeLeo

1. Public comments

No public comment

2. Review and approve minutes of the December 12, 2018 special meeting

Motion to approve minutes made by Jason Morrill, motion seconded by Lauren Miller. Motion approved by Jason, Julie, and Lauren. Leland abstained.

3. Review an updated Open Space Plan draft, consider areas to be added, updated and progress on objectives

The 2019 draft was reviewed. Members volunteered to take responsibility for several new sections; Leland will focus on the Funding section, Julie will research the Zoning and Ordinance, Jason will work on the natural resource inventory, Lauren will review existing funding sources and look up deadlines for 2019 submission dates, Frank DeLeo and Jason will work together on methods of protection and acquisition. The group agreed the properties worth of acquisition section must be updated. Leland had relevant content for the Baldwin Dr property description. The group reviewed the Objectives section to assess progress on each.

4. Trail Walks 2019

On the weekend of June 1 & 2 (CT Trails Day) there will be an educational walk at the Massaro Community Farm. The trail will be walked with discussion focused on food, foraging, and local native American Indians, followed by a discussion of the move toward agriculture and a walk on the farm's fields.

Other trail walk topics were discussed. Leland will make some follow up connections with regard to some of these:

- *Flyways around west rock, with an ornithologist
- *Hydrology, with the Regional Water Authority
- *Geology around west rock
- *Historical Society, joint walks around the Darling House
- *Maple Syrup Making at the Elderslie Preserve

5. Chairman's report

*35th Annual, Connecticut Land Conservation Conference, March 23, 2019, Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT

*Jason Morrill is meeting with Beth Heller at end of March – Trail Walks, Property inventory, properties worthy of acquisition

Julie Perlman motion to adjourn; Leland Torrence seconded; All in Favor.

Meeting Adjourned 8:23pm

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