

TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes of March 12, 2008 Meeting

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Mr. Christoph Geiss, @ 7:15 P. M. in the Town Hall office of the Parks and Recreation Department.

Members Present: I. Boelhouwer, C. Geiss, R. Moyer, R. Pulford, W. J. Schumaker

Others Present: K. Bagley (Parks and Recreation Dept.) & M. Forrest (Town Council)

I. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 13, 2008.

Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes.

Motion passed.

II. COMMUNICATIONS.

- Letter from the State of Connecticut Department of the Environmental Protection indicating that the Department had denied the application of Phoenix Medical (Hartford Hospital) to expand the medical center and the parking lot on property on the Silas Deane Highway and bordering Beaver Brook.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- Green Summit Workshop on March 13, 2008 in the Pitkin Center beginning @ 6:30 P.M.
- Connecticut Land Conservation Council Meeting on April 15, 2008 at the New England Utilities Company on the Berlin Highway (a day of meetings and workshops). Registrations will be reimbursed by the Commission.

IV. OLD AND NEW BUSINESS.

- Mr. Forrest informed the Commission that the Town Council will place on its agenda for its March 17, 2008 meeting the Beaver Brook Open Space Corridor concept. He mentioned that it had first been discussed by the Council almost thirty years ago. He will report back to the Chair well before the next regular meeting of the Commission.
- Mr. Schumaker reported that Wethersfield will participate in the Trails Day Program on June 7, 2008 with hikes through the Meadows.
- Mr. Schumaker distributed Website examples from conservations commissions in four towns: Bolton, West Hartford, Newington, and Woodstock. The questions posed to the Commission were (1) should we have a website and (2) what should be placed on it. Discussion followed.

The next regular meeting of the Commission will be held on Wednesday evening, April 9, 2008 at the Town Hall office of the Parks and Recreation Department.

The meeting was adjourned @ 7:58 P.M.

Respectfully submitted.
Ralph O. Moyer, Jr.
Secretary Pro Diem