

## WALLINGFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

### REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, December 14, 2017 - 7:00 p.m.  
Basement Conference Room, Town Hall  
45 South Main Street, Wallingford, CT

### AGENDA

#### 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes, Regular Meeting, November 9, 2017, 7:00 p.m.

#### 2. PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

##### A. Tyler Mill Preserve

- 1. Kiosk & replacement signage
- 2. Stewards of Tyler Mill – report, D. Saunders & D. Lendler
- 3. Tyler Mill Road repair work
- 4. Tyler Mill Preserve Management Planning Committee
  - a. Nov. 9 meeting, - report
  - b. Nov. 29 meeting - report
  - c. Jan. 3, 9:00 a.m. - next meeting
- 5. Chipmunk Study - status

##### B. Beseck Meadow

- 1. Town signage relocation
- 2. Bamboo letter

##### C. Ferguson Woods – cottontails

##### D. Fresh Meadows

- 1. CT Recreational Trails Program Project – construction status
- 2. Proposed plantings
- 3. Rules & Regulation sign

##### E. Lufbery Park

- 1. Alteration activity remediation
- 2. Request - insect pest study

##### F. Marcus Cooke – trail tree removal marking

##### G. 13 Mansion Road open space – report, staff

##### H. Property stewardship – D. Lendler

##### I. Mowing

##### J. Other properties

#### 3. FARMLAND LEASE PROPERTIES PROGRAM

- A. Field 1C & 1D, No. Branford Rd. - signage
- B. Field 4A, Whirlwind Hill Rd. & 19A, Scard Rd. - maintenance
- C. Field 6D, off Cooke Rd. – property boundary
- D. Field 8B, Northford Rd. – bale removal & field edge maintenance
- E. Field 18A, 995C East Center St./Tamarac Swamp Rd. – proposed Request For Qualifications
- F. Farmland Committee – monitoring reports

#### 4. PUBLIC OUTREACH

- A. Vehicle idling initiative – letter to Editor, Meriden Record Journal
- B. Quinnipiac University, “Big Event”, April 7 – proposed projects

#### 5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

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**6. DISCUSSION**

- A. Occurrence of coyotes, fishers, bobcats**
- B. Sunflowers (agricultural)**

**7. OTHER TOPICS**

**8. REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE**

- A. Open Space & Watershed Land Acquisition Grant Program** – applications deadline 2/2/18 – Possible property acquisition - discussion
- B. Community Lake** – Parks & Recreation Dept. – IWWC application - proposed tree cutting
- C. CT Association of Conservation and Inland Wetland Commissions, Inc. (CACIWC)** - Conference, Nov. 18 - reports
- D. North American Wetlands Conservation Act Small Grants Program** – matching grant program for projects involving restoration/enhancement and/or establishment of wetlands and associated upland habitats for the benefit of all wetlands-associated migratory birds; deadline 10/19/18
- E. Cottontail occurrence** - status report
- F. CACIWC newsletter, *The Habitat***, Fall 2017
- G. CT Land Conservation Council** – annual membership
- H. Mayor memorandum** re: 2018 General Assembly Session legislative proposals, received 11/15/17
- I. CFPA** – monthly gift appeal
- J. QRWA letter** to Commission re: annual accomplishments, received 11/14/17
- K. U.S. EPA News Release** re: CT DEEP wetlands award (\$97,000), received 12/17/17

**9. NEXT MEETING** – Jan. 11, 2018

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

*Individuals in need of auxiliary aids for the effective communication in programs and services of the Town of Wallingford are invited to make their needs and preferences known to the ADA Compliance Coordinator at 203-294-2070 five days prior.*