

WALLINGFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Wallingford Town Hall 45 South Main Street Wallingford, CT 06492

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REGULAR MEETING Room 315, Town Hall 45 South Main Street, Wallingford, CT

Thursday, December 14, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

AGENDA

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting, Nov. 9, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

2. PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

A. Tyler Mill Preserve

- 1. Stewards of Tyler Mill, Co-Chairs Monthly Report, D. Saunders & D. Lendler
- 2. Kiosk standardized design drawing, measurements, and cost
- 3. Removal of Interpretive Trail markers status of approved work
- 4. Boy Scout Trail permanent blazing status
- 5. Mapping, staff
- 6. Proposal from K. Michaels, Director, Parks & Recreation, submitted by Doug Clark, regarding two existing unnamed trails that connect to the 'Boy Scout Trail'
- 7. Other reports

B. Fresh Meadows

- 1. Mowing staff
- 2. Tessa's Trail maintenance
- 3. Proposal for update to kiosk content, J. Borne
- 4. Proposal regarding maintenance of stone dust trail beds
- 5. Proposal for signage and kiosk at western drive/parking area

C. Ferguson Woods

- Proposal from Parks & Recreation Director submitted by S. Gray for kiosk location, final design, cost, and funding – status
- Approved re-routing of a portion of trail off private property & installation of a bogbridge – status of de-blazing, new trail section creation and blazing & bogbridge installation work
- 3. Trails Map update status

D. Bertini Park

- 1. Map revisions status
- 2. Approved signage status

E. Beseck Mountain

- 1. Boundary re-marking, encroachment & unpermitted vegetation removal
- 2. Cliffside Trail evaluation & maintenance
- 3. Proposal for installation of stone dust path & low timber rail from road to woods edge
- 4. National Scenic Trail signage status
- 5. Trail signage (Town property boundaries) status

F. Marcus Cooke Memorial Park

1. Proposal for trail GPS, re-blazing, mapping, and signage

G. Wharton Brook/Doolittle Park

- 1. Proposed kiosk location, staff
- 2. Riparian corridor vegetation management
- H. Other Property reports

3. PROPERTY STEWARDSHIP & MONITORING REPORTS

A. Whirlwind Hill/Scard Rd & 1254 Whirlwind Hill Rd., D. Lendler

4. FARMLAND LEASE PROPERTIES PROGRAM

- A. Field 20A Contractor report
- B. Bid proposal (20 hay fields) staff
- C. Farmland Lease Committee
 - 1. Field Monitoring Reports

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Executive Session pursuant to CT General Statutes 1-225(F) and Sect. 1-200(6) for the discussion of the selection of real estate for possible purchase

6. REPORTS / CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Trails Work Group TWG information/matters not discussed above, D. Lendler
- B. CT Association of Conservation and Inland Wetlands Commissions (CACIWC) -Annual Conference, Bristol Event Center, 112 Century Drive, Bristol, CT, Sat., Nov. 11, 2023
- C. Gray-Wulff Environmental Series: "The Temptation of Trees", film & discussion, Community Room, Wallingford Public Library, Dec. 6, 7:30 p.m. - reports
- D. Memorandum from Mayor, re: 2024 General Assembly Session legislative or regulatory proposals, dated 12/1/23; deadline Dec. 27
- 7. NEXT MEETING January 11, 2024

8. 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.