

**TOWN OF TRUMBULL  
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Trumbull Conservation Commission Meeting  
Wednesday, November 20, 2013  
7:00pm  
Nichols Room

**Present:** Commissioners Mary Ellen Lemay, Jim Sullivan, Joanne Parsons, Dale Parsons

**Absent:** Scot Kerr and Don Watson

The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm by Chairman Lemay.

**Past Minutes:** It was moved by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mrs. Parsons, to approve the minutes of October 23, 2013 as posted. Unanimous.

**Calendar Updates**

Mrs. Lemay noted the CTAC meeting is scheduled for November 26 at the Beardsley Zoo. The meeting will include a stream walk and discussion.

**DEEP #319**

Mrs. Parsons presented a map from the Greater Bridgeport Regional Council which had overlays for four projects within the Town of Trumbull including the Rooster River and Pequonnock River Watersheds. Different layers were placed on the map from GIS for the projects and it was noted that almost the entire town is eligible for 319 grants because the projects fall within the two watersheds. No update is available on the current status of the award for this year. Chris Mallick from DEP will be at the CTAC meeting on 11/26 and he may have more information.

Mrs. Parsons recommended that a study committee be organized, which she will chair, to analyze this area and see what projects might be good candidates for submission for 319 grants. Other stakeholders would be involved – outside community organizations such as Save the Sound and Earthplace, Frank Smeriglio and John Marsilio from the Town, and any others who would have an interest. One project discussed was the Spring Hill Road area of the Pequonnock River which is eroding and needs repair. Mr. Sullivan stated he would be interested in working on this task force. September 30 is the annual deadline for submission of projects to DEP. The Commission should have several projects identified for submission each year.

**Landscape Preservation Ordinance**

No update.

**Land Trust Property**

No update.

**IWWC Activities**

Mr. Parsons reviewed the applications and recommendations were sent to the last meeting on one application being presented.

**Natural Resource Inventory**

No update.

**GBRC Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan**

No update.

**Rooster River Watershed Based Plan**

No update other than what was discussed in the 319 Grants.

**Hazard Mitigation Report**

Mrs. Lemay noted there was a second meeting held which was attended by Don Watson. The flood area map was reviewed at the meeting. The Commission will obtain a copy from the Engineering Department for review.

**Administrative Assistant Status**

No update.

**Candidates for Appointment to the Commission**

Mrs. Lemay stated she submitted a letter to the First Selectman to reappoint the Parsons and to appoint Tim Coughlin to fill the remainder of Kate Bruzinski's term on the commission.

**Alternates to Commission**

Mrs. Lemay is working with the town to determine what steps need to be taken to add alternates to the commission. Currently the commission has seven members.

**Green Pages Update**

Discussion was held regarding the information to be contained within the green pages. Documents have been revised by Mr. Watson and now need to be condensed for distribution. Discussion of the applications/permits was held; suggestion was made that these documents should be updated to contain more green information.

**Meadow Remediation Walk-through**

Mrs. Lemay noted Dmitri Paris felt the walk through should be conducted in the winter or spring. Lengthy discussion was held regarding the project at Twin Brooks and Old Mine Park. Old Mine Park is a demonstration project and the town needs to make a commitment for the betterment of the river. It was felt that both projects should be discussed with Mr. Marsilio to work through the details.

**Yale Study**

Mrs. Lemay noted she met with representatives from the Town of Monroe who are reviewing an application for a large box store. Monroe P&Z is meeting this week and plans will be reviewed. She noted two Yale professors are looking to do a study on box stores for storm water management and natural cooling. They are interested in proposing this as a demo project on the building in Monroe. Mrs. Lemay will contact the developer of the property to propose this project and work towards the inclusion of green infrastructure.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Mrs. Parsons moved, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, to adjourn the meeting at 8:35pm. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Crandall  
Clerk