

Town Of Thompson
Conservation Commission
815 Riverside Drive, PO Box 899
North Grosvenordale, Connecticut 06255

MINUTES—NOVEMBER 21, 2016
TOWN HALL 2ND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

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Chairman Phil Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Members present: Phil Thomas, Carol Smith, Ron Tillen and Norma O'Leary.

Staff present: Carolyn Werge and Audrey Witkowski.

Approval of Minutes

1. **Norma O'Leary moved and Ron Tillen seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the October 17, 2016 meeting as presented; the motion carried.**

Financial Matters

1. 29.5% of the budget has been used as of October 27, 2016.

Correspondence

1. Members received via email:
 - a. Minutes: Conservation Commission, October 17, 2016.
2. Incoming Mail:
 - a. A reply to Chairman Thomas from the Connecticut Siting Council, dated 31 Oct 2016.
 - b. The CACIWC's Fall 2016 edition of The Habitat.
3. Outgoing Mail:
 - a. Chairman Phil Thomas' letter to the CT Siting Council, dated 24 Oct 2016.
 - b. Chairman Phil Thomas' letter to the Rhode Island Energy Facility Siting Board, dated 24 Oct 2016.
4. Incoming Mail via email:
 - a. The Woodstock Historic Properties Commission's Historic Cemetery Preservation Project is Tuesday November 29, 2016.
5. Outgoing Mail via email: None.

Officer and Committee Reports

1. Conservation Officer Report
 - a. New Requests: None
 - b. Old Requests: None
 - c. Updates:
 - 1) Cemeteries Update:
 - i. The State Office of Policy and Management have not announced the awards for the Neglected Cemeteries Grant.
 - ii. Carolyn Werge will try to set up a meeting with Mr. Santerre regarding the North Grosvenordale Pond Cemetery.
 - 2) Wyndham Land Trust
 - i. A new member of the Wyndham Land Trust contacted Carolyn Werge for GIS data for a mapping project he is undertaking.
 - ii. The Wyndham Land Trust was granted Intervenor Status by the CT Siting Council for the Killingly power plant application proceedings.
 - 3) The Commissions response letters regarding the Invenergy's application from were sent out October 24 to the RI Energy Facility Siting Board, the Burrillville Conservation Commission, the RI Department of Environmental Management and the Thompson First Selectman.
 - 4) On October 24, The Commission sent a response letter to the CT Siting Council, CT DEEP, Killingly Conservation Commission, Wyndham Land Trust and Thompson First Selectman regarding the proposed NTE Killingly Power Plant.
2. Other

Old Business

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1. Update on previous Conservation reviews: No update.
2. Blue Bird houses: No update.
3. Fabyan Property with "Honor Roll" marker: No update.
4. Discussion of site visit to Heritage Way Park: No update.

New Business

1. 2017 meeting dates
 - a. **Norma O'Leary moved and Phil Thomas seconded the motion to approve the 2017 meeting schedule. All in favor. The motion carried.**

Citizens' Comments

Members' Forum

1. Andy Syme asked Norma O'Leary for information about the Pray Lot that was auctioned off in Putnam recently.
2. Norma O'Leary discussed the future plans for the mill on Riverside Drive. There is a petition to stop the mill from being demolished. Phil Thomas stated they needed a plan in place first and town not paying to fix it up.
3. Phil Thomas discussed the landfills in Uxbridge and Dudley.

Announcements

Future Meeting

1. The next meeting will be held Monday, December 19, 2016 at 7 PM in the Town Hall 2nd Floor Conference Room.

Adjournment

1. Chairman Thomas adjourned the meeting at 7:40 PM.

Audrey Witkowski
Recording Secretary