WILLINGTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING

6/20/2018 Meeting

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order @ 7:15 pm.

Roll Call: P. Andersen, J. Cartabiano, K. Demers, M. Drobney, C. Jordan, M. Schreiber, On a motion by KD/CJ, J. Kulig was seated for R. Shabot. Unanimous vote.

Approval of Minutes of 4/18/18: Minutes were approved as written on a motion by

CJ/MD. 6 ayes, 1 abstain: KD

Present to Speak: NA

Finance: The expenditure for the "Willington Farm Tour" was \$116.50 which leaves a balance for FY17/18 of \$834.95.

Old Business/Status Reports

- A. Love's Travel Stop: KD gave a report on the DEEP's evidentiary hearings at DEEP in Hartford, CT concerning the Wastewater Treatment System at Love's Travel Stop. The post hearing filing date is 6/15/18 which has been extended 4 weeks. The extension gives Love's Travel Stop and DEEP staff time to send their revised plans and their rebuttals to comments presented at the public and evidentiary hearing to the DEEP Hearing Office. The Hearing Officer will then make a recommendation to DEEP and Love's Travel Stop on the Wastewater Treatment System at Love's Travel Stop.
- **B.** Willington Farm Tour: June 10: The event had excellent turnout for the tours and was well received.
- C. Open space land considerations:

1. "Connecticut Green Burial Grounds" is looking for a large piece of property to preserve as public open space. CGBG wants to establish Connecticut's first "green cemetery"—a place reserved for burials without embalming, vaults, or any but a simple, natural, unpainted casket or shroud. They contacted WCC in hopes that we could help CGBG identify a potential site. KD contacted their representative and is waiting for a reply. Information will also be forwarded to the Willington Cemetery Association **2. Red Oak Hill** – Tabled

D. Properties Management

1. Fenton-Ruby Park/Drobney Sanctuary: PA brush cut the 2 fields adjacent to Taylor Pond.

2. Knowlton Preserve/Talmadge Tract: The new signs for the parking lot and Talmadge Spur/Nipmuck Trail intersection will be installed after CJ paints the lettering.

E. Easement/property monitoring: Site visit form. Tabled.

F. Town Development: Tabled.

G. Collaborative Organizations: PA reported on activities of Joshua's Trust at the Willington property: Chene Roches.

H. Q3 E Newsletter: The next Willington e-newsletter submission deadline is 7/ 6/18.Members are encouraged to write an article for the publication

I. Other: Tabled.

New Business

A. Communications: Tabled.

B. Other: Susan Jorgensen the Willington Zoning Agent is retiring from her position within the next 2 months.

Next Meeting: 7/18/18 Adjournment: Meeting adjourned @ 8:25 pm.

Minutes submitted by Marilyn Schreiber, Recording Secretary