

**TOWN OF NEW CANAAN, CONNECTICUT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
Thursday, September 10, 2009**

TOWN HALL - Board Room 6:30 p.m.

REGULAR MEMBERS PRESENT: **REGULAR MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**Mr. Rice, Chairman
Ms. Pfeifer, Secretary
Mr. Lewis
Mr. Nissley
Ms. Sweitzer**

Also in Attendance:

Steve Kleppin, Town Planner/Senior Enforcement Officer
Elizabeth Jones, Town Council

MEETING

1. Call Meeting to Order/Roll Call

The Meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Chairman Rice.

2. Approval of the Minutes of June 11, 2009 meeting and Agenda.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Meeting on June 11, 2009 and the meeting agenda.

3. Open Space Map Update/Next Steps – John Rice/Tom Nissley/Steve Kleppin

Steve Kleppin discussed the current status of the draft map. Mr. Rice led a discussion on progress from implementation of the recommendation from the 2004 Open Space report as well as potential implications from the draft map. A final draft of the 2009 Open Space map will be reviewed as soon as it is available.

4. Natural Resources Inventory/Comm. Resources Inventory Update/Next Steps - Susan Sweitzer/Steve Kleppin

Ms. Sweitzer discussed the summer internship and the need for filling the intern spot during the Fall. Various colleges have responded with candidates for possible placement. Once a candidate is chosen, there will be a discussion with the funder of this program as well as a confirmation of the proposed work plan for the intern.

Mr. Kleppin will have the Resource Inventory revised for the next meeting.

5. CC Communications/Newsletter Update/Next Steps – Tom Lewis.

Mr. Lewis discussed his outline for launching the first publication of the Conservation Commission newsletter in October and a suggested list of content articles. This included a letter from the First Selectman and various topics of interest on open space, recycling and other conservation matters. Mr. Lewis will continue efforts to finalize the first proposed publication and will present his recommendations at the next meeting.

6. Liaison Reports:

No updates were provided during this meeting.

7. Any Other Business.

None

8. Adjourn meeting.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the Commission unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

Attest: Gwynne Pfeifer, Secretary