

**MINUTES OF THE
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
January 11, 2001**

MINUTES

PRESENT

E. Lukens
L. Tundermann
E. Blanker
J. Killian
S. Stoane
L. Holder
J. Brawerman @ 7:25
K. Humphrey @ 7:34
J. Fortuna @ 7:55
L. Tundermann left @ 7:55

ABSENT

H. Reid
K. Coley
J. Beatty
K. Holden
J. Bagley

OTHERS PRESENT

A. Call to Order

Election of Officers

Ellen Lukens seconded by Len Tundermann nominated Sheila Stoane for Chair

Ellen Lukens was nominated for Vice Chair by Len Tundermann, seconded by John Killian

Jim Sipperly was nominated as Secretary by Len Tundermann seconded by Sheila Stoane

No other nominations were made

Nominations were closed and a vote was taken

6 for, no one was opposed, no one abstaining

Motion: To move Old Business to the top of the Agenda by Len Tundermann, seconded by Sheila Stoane

Plan of Conservation & Development for information – P & Z not to Conservation Commission part yet.

They are working on the Land Use part now. Jim Sipperly or Sheila Stoane will let the Conservation Commission members know when our section comes up for review so we can have a chance to comment.

Request that Planning, Conservation and Development Department send to all members a schedule of all meetings pertaining to Planning and Zoning and the Plan of Conservation and Development as was already given to us for the January 24th meeting. Chapters 1-7, 11-13 “to be adopted”

January 24th 7:30 Middletown High School

Ellen Lukens points out that Land Use Section easily shows developed and undeveloped areas – map show patterns of residential and commercial areas

What is zoned that way vs. presently used that way, look at whether expanding present use into undeveloped areas light industrial might make sense i.e. areas that were examined for new High School; especially might think about changing some residential zoning if reducing residential development is a goal.

Sheila Stoane Open Space grants – 1 for Pierce Property – pending would need referendum to purchase

Metacomet Ridge Survey tabled until the Feb. meeting when Jim Sipperly can help us to ensure accuracy

Rockfall grant brochure – Request status from Jim Sipperly at next meeting

CRISP available at Library, Town Clerk’s Office, also at www.state.ct.us/lecd/crisp.htm public meeting held by state to review crisp rpt – Feb. 14th?

Read minutes of July 13, 2000; Jane Brawerman is mentioned but not listed as being present; add to those present.

Did Jim Sipperly already fill out Metacomet Ridge Survey?

Ken Humphrey moved to accept minutes of July 13, 2000 with one correction

Approved with Ellen Blanker and Liz Holder abstaining

Please list horseback riding at Tynan on February agenda.

The motion to hold workshops with Planning & Zoning has been dropped. It seems best to leave procedures to them.

New Business

Re: Mattabeset Management Plan – This should be on our agenda from now on.....

Town of Berlin formed committee to address implementation of the plan especially putting \$ into town budget for this. Next Tues. stakeholder meeting – Jim Sipperly is on the steering Committee perhaps we could have similar sort of committee to work on this after I-3 Committee and Plan of Conservation and Development are not taking so much of our energy.

Motion to put this on the agenda every month to have Jim Sipperly keep us abreast of developments . Motion by Ellen Lukens, seconded by Liz Holder; approved unanimously

Letter of recommendation has been written by Jim Sipperly for Matt Graves for an Elks Scholarship.

Congratulations to Jim Sipperly, Bill Warner and staff for impressive list of accomplishments

Suggestion that at next meeting members come prepared to comment on the CRISP report for possible presentation at the February hearing.

Motion: To adjourn at 8:44 by Liz Holder\seconded by Ken Humphrey

Approved unanimously