

Barkhamsted Conservation Commission
Unapproved Minutes of Regular Meeting, Thursday, February 4, 2010

Khea Cook called the meeting to order at 7:36p.m.

Members present were: Jim Bechtel, Amy Connelly, Scott Johnstone, Don Pelletier, Wendy Reynolds, Bill Winchester

Absent: Don Pelletier

Guest: Tim Grohowski

Approval of Minutes: Bill made a motion to approve the minutes for January 7, 2010. Seconded by Jim and unanimously approved.

Discussion of Meetings/Seminars attended by members: Scott reported on the Land Use Committee. Both town meetings were met with favorable response and well attended. The water quality study will begin in April. Khea reported on the P&Z meeting. The Used Car Dealership public hearing will be continued. A public hearing was set for the Application for modification of the I-3 zone. Khea also asked the P&Z commission about their response to the BCC's proposed Aquifer protection regulations. The P&Z said they never received the proposal. Tim reported on the Inland Wetlands meeting. The commission accepted the proposed Winsted Health Center's application. Khea attended the Smart Growth meeting. The state of the economy was discussed which included talks about regionalizing agencies to cut expenses.

Old Business:

Aquifers: Scott will re-submit our letter with the proposed regulations to the P&Z Chair at their next meeting.

Landowner Letter: We provided the First Selectman, Don Stein with a copy of the final letter prior to mailing. Don Stein OK'd the letter so Bill will bring it to the printers and it will be mailed out the week of February 8th.

District State Rep: Khea left a message for John Rigby (District State Rep.) inviting him to one of our upcoming meetings. We are awaiting his response.

Seat vacancy: Great news! Wendy Reynolds was appointed as one of our alternates. Scott indicated he might have another alternate candidate which he will pursue.

2010 Objectives: Potential objectives were mentioned. All members will reflect on the ideas brought forth and will discuss the 2010 game plan at our next meeting. We will also review the Plan of Conservation and Development. It was suggested that we might want to consider inviting members from the Land Trust to one of our meetings.

New Business: Khea indicated that there is a Garden Project underway led by Lisa Candels and Evelyn Betts. It is still in the creation process and Amy said she would investigate further.

Correspondence: None.

Jim moved to adjourn at 9:00pm. Amy seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Deb Ciriello, BCC Secretary