

APPROVED MINUTES

Ridgefield Conservation Commission

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February 25, 2019

A meeting of the Ridgefield Conservation Commission was held at the Town Hall Annex, 66 Prospect Street, Ridgefield, Connecticut 06877 on Monday, February 25, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Susan Baker Eric Beckenstein Jim Coyle Dave Cronin

Jack Kace Ben Oko Alan Pilch

Absent: Tim Bishop, Carroll Brewster, Daniel C. Levine and Kitsey Snow

Mr. Coyle chaired the meeting, Ms. Lake took the minutes.

UPON motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to add POCD to the Agenda.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the February 11, 2019 meeting were reviewed.

UPON motion duly made, seconded and carried, it was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of February 11, 2019 are approved and ordered filed in the Town Hall.

2. OPEN SPACE

<u>Lake Windwing Autumn Olive</u> – Tremson will be working at Lake Windwing Tuesday, 2/26 and Wednesday, 2/27. Mr. Cronin will ask the operator to grind up piles of brush left by Parks & Rec.

<u>The McKeon Farm</u> – Mr. Cronin contacted the Fire Dept. about burning debris piles at McKeon and Lake Windwing. They offered to look into removal solutions.

3. ANNUAL MEETING – Discussion postponed until Mr. Levine and Mr. Brewster attend.

4. PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION, INLAND WETLANDS BOARD

a) Meetings for Attendance

Feb 26 – Baker (167-173 High Ridge Ave - PH)

Mar 5 - Bishop

Mar 12 - Cronin/Beckenstein

Mar 26 – Levine/Kace (865 EA Hwy – PH)

b) Report on P&Z/IWB Meeting

Feb. 19 – Dr. Kace reported on several issues discussed at the meeting.

- The RCC will review and comment on the 865 Ethan Allen Highway application (violation remediation). The site walk is March 17.
- The RCC will review and comment on 509 Main Street application (stormwater plan revision).
- After discussion of the Major Home Occupation application for 44 Highview Drive, it was
 decided that RCC would prepare a rationale for two new regulations for proposal to PZ/IWB.
 One would address chemical usage/disposal in home businesses, the other would focus on
 clear cutting on private property.
- There will be an Information Session March 19th to discuss Renewable Energy systems on private property.

5. POCD

The commission reviewed additional comments and changes to the draft 2020 POCD chapters. Mr. Coyle and Dr. Kace will combine all comments received by Wednesday, 2/27 and submit to the POCD committee prior to the March 5th meeting.

6. CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS - None.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Colleen Lake