

APPROVED MINUTES

**Ridgefield Conservation Commission
Flood and Erosion Control Board**
Town Hall Annex, 66 Prospect Street
Ridgefield, CT 06877 (203) 431-2713
September 24, 2007

A meeting of the Ridgefield Conservation Commission was held at the Town Hall Annex, 66 Prospect Street Ridgefield, Connecticut 06877 on September 24, 2007 at approximately 7:30 p.m.

The following members were present:

Susan Baker
Carroll Brewster
Dave Cronin
Ben Oko
George Orlan
Beth Yanity

Dr. Oko chaired the meeting. Nancy McDaniel was present to take minutes.

MINUTES

The minutes of the September 10, 2007 meeting were reviewed.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of September 10, 2007 be and hereby are approved and ordered filed in the minute book of the Commission and the Town Hall minute book.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Brewster reported the following bill that he approved under the new authorization policy: \$15.95 – Ridgefield Power.

Commission on the Disabled – Emma Benedict, chair, accompanied by member Grace Romero, spoke about the need for handicap access to selected Ridgefield's open space trails and described a successful program in Putnam County. She mentioned Lake Windwing as a possible location. Dr. Oko said that it was not under commission jurisdiction and recommended that she meet with Paul Roche of Parks and Rec about the Rec Center trail.

Eagle Scout Projects

Robert Johnson - Robert proposed creating a new trail loop and elevating a bridge over a muddy area at Sarah Bishop. Members voted to approve the project, but requested that he return with a plan for the bridge and a materials list.

Curran O'Connell – Curran would build an 18-foot bridge over a creek at Barrack Hill Refuge. Members requested that he return with a detailed plan including dimensions of the creek and bridge. Mr. Orlan offered to go with him to check the area.

SHARING SESSIONS

September 4 –

September 11 –

September 18 – report distributed. Mr. Oko recommended going to the September 25 P & Z meeting to show opposition to Eureka's plan.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION, INLAND WETLANDS BOARD

Meetings for Attendance

October 2 – Ms. Stoddard

October 9 – Mr. Cronin

October 16 – Ms. Yanity; Mr. Brewster, backup

October 18 – Ms. Baker

OTHER BUSINESS

Interviews with Candidate for Membership – Members discussed with the candidate his past experience and interests in conservation.

Annual Open Space Appeal – Ms. Yanity and Mr. Brewster offered to serve on the appeal committee with Ms. Stoddard.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy McDaniel