



City of Torrington
CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
Thursday April 5, 2018 @6:30pm
Special Meeting

1. Call to Order: 6:30pm, Land Use Office, Room 324, 140 Main Street, Torrington, CT.
2. Roll Call & Announcements: Members: Chris Altman, Jim Fedorich, Dan McGuinness, Tomasz Kalinowski, Kevin Finn & staff Rista Malanca
3. New Business:
 - a. Request from Mayor's Office – recycling initiatives. Jerry Rollet, Public Works Director, gave a presentation to the Commission on the State's SMART program and answered questions from the Commission.

Motion made by Ms. Altman, seconded by Mr. McGuinness to support the City moving forward with this program. Ms. Altman, Mr. Fedorich, Mr. McGuinness, Mr. Finn in favor. Mr. Kalinowski Opposed. Motion passes

- b. Conservation Easement enforcement procedure – Ms. Malanca explained that there is currently a conservation easement on a piece of property and the language is unclear. She is looking for clarification on what is permitted or not permitted; however, the language in the deed says the "City" is the party responsible for enforcement. Ms. Malanca asked the Commission if they have a history of reviewing conflicts and making a decision? Commissioners felt they would review the proposal and give a recommendation to the Mayor / City Council, but had never been the entity that made the final decision or initiated enforcement proceedings.
 - c. Red Mountain parcel discussion (8 acres) – Torrington Trails Network is looking at an 8-acre, city owned, parcel that is under the jurisdiction of Park and Rec on top of Red Mountain to create some hiking trails. They will be meeting with the Park and Rec Commission to review their proposal, but wanted to know if this Commission would support trails on this parcel.

Motion made by Ms. Altman, seconded by Mr. McGuinness to support TTN in the creation of trails on City owned property at the top of Red Mountain. Vote Unanimous.

4. Old Business:
 - a. 2018 Earth Day Clean Up – Everything is in place for this year's clean up. Scarpelli's is donating pizza for the volunteer lunch. Torrington Janitorial Supplies is donating the garbage bags. We have enough left over gloves from previous years we will not be asking Doyles to donate more this year. Tom Kalinowski will come with a pick up truck to help pick up trash. Jim Fedorich has arranged for Dunkin Donuts to donate coffee and munchkins, he will bring them to the event around 8:30. All other Commissioners

who are able to attend and help will arrive at Coe Park around 8:30 to assist as needed with the clean up.

5. Correspondence:

6. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:20

Rista Malanca, CZ&WEO
Staff to Conservation Commission
Cc: City Clerk, Mayor's Office