

Warren Conservation Commission Minutes

Meeting of October 20, 2014

Present: Jerry Belair, Wendy Brennan, Jane Harrison, Butch Lombardi, Barbara Paroline and David Weed

Regrets: Jeanne Leffers

Chair: Butch Lombardi

Next Meeting: November 17, 2014

The meeting was called to order 7:07 p.m. by Butch Lombardi

Minutes – Acceptance of the September 15, 2014 minutes was moved by Jane seconded by Wendy, and passed unanimously.

Budget report – Jerry reported that one check will be issued to Scott Turner for \$100 which will leave a balance of \$900.00 in our account. We will discuss the FY 2015 budget at the next meeting.

Correspondence – Jane the DEM notice regarding water quality certification for the Tourister Mill Complex apartments, which sounded to her like good work. Jane moved that we file this with no comment, and Wendy seconded. Following discussion, all voted in favor.

The Swansea Planning Board sent a document regarding High Hill Estates, the former Nike site, but there appears to be no impact on

Warren or its watershed. Jane moved that we take no action, Wendy seconded it, and all voted in favor.

Old Business:

1. Speaker Program – All agreed that the speaker was very good, even though the attendance by non-Commission members was poor. David agreed to make a shorter version of the one-hour video of the walk and post it on our web site along with pictures.

2. Beautification –

a. Hugh Cole Well – Nothing new to report

b. Baker Street and Company Street Scenic Overlook – Nothing new to report

3. Storm drain –Storm drain labeling – Barbara has completed putting labels on Market Street from Redmond to Main Street. It will be too cold to do more until next Spring.

4. Habitat projects:

a. Owl nests – Jerry and Butch still plan to put the barn owl house up on a barn.

b. Bat house – They can do it now that the osprey’s are gone.

c. Walking trails – Nothing to report.

5. Broken Bridge bike path and National Grid Trail – Wendy talked to Caroline and Thomas Gordon. Nothing will happen for a while.

6. Water use fee structure – Nothing new. Take this off next month’s agenda.

7. A proposed Kickemuit Woods Development in Swansea - A letter was sent. The Kickemuit River Council will take it to the Planning Board.

New Business:

Leaking Sewer line in the Kicky – Jane described the situation in which a sewer pipe was “cameraed” from Child Street down. Fuss & O’Neill wrote a report and the Kickemuit River Council took it to DEM who gave the Town until October 16th to fix it. They hired Woodwin and Currin to do a report. The Town got an extension until November 16th. Jane requested a report for the Commission from Sandy but was denied until the report was finished. Jerry moved that Jane send an email to the Town Manager with cc’s to KRC members requesting the report and an explanation as to why were denied an opportunity

to respond. Wendy seconded the motion, and all voted in favor.

Commissioners' Concerns – None

A motion was made by Barbara and seconded by Jeanne that we adjourn at 8:30 p.m. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

David Weed

Recording Secretary