

Lincoln Conservation Commission
Lincoln Town Hall
100 Old River Road
Lincoln, RI 02865

**MINUTES OF THE MARCH 3, 2018 MEETING OF THE
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

MEMBERS ATTENDING:

DANIEL FLYNN - CHAIR
OWEN HELEEN – CO-CHAIR
DORIS BRAIS
FRANCINE JACKSON

MEMBERS ABSENT

LESLIE B ALEXANDER-SECRETARY
ROBERT MCNALLY-TREASURER
CHRISTINA ISRAEL

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Dan Flynn called the March 7, 2018 meeting of the Conservation Commission to order at 7:07 PM.

II. APPROVE PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

No minutes to approve.

- III. PUBLIC COMMENT:** Gladys Lamontagne, from the Organic Community Garden attended to state that the presentation wasn't on the February Town Council agenda, but it could happen at a work session. It does need to happen by our next meeting. Dan suggested we (the LCC) become a fallback for the garden, and must reinstate the rules and/or guidelines, a copy of which was brought in by Gladys LaMontagne (see attached). They also brought in the rules for Barrington's garden, and we should encompass them within our own previous rules. See also Barrington's "Lease and Use Agreement," and "Volunteerism," as we need to develop a packet similar to theirs. We should also look into getting grants instead of using our own budget for this work.

IV.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- V. WETLAND APPLICATIONS:** None.

VI. COMMISSION PROJECTS:

Butterfly Garden- No Report

Shady Brook- No Report.

Historical Cemeteries- Ken Postle is now running a church, so his cemetery work is slowing down, but he does have certain projects he is doing.

Organic Garden- Dan will be making a presentation to the Town Council in March.

Lincoln 2020 – Owen met with Joe, who wants to brainstorm developing ways to support cleaning the town. He also wants to identify groups to do cleanup work. With respect to 2020 directly, the two alternatives are now either to work with Joe in this, or simply to walk away.

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

Owen stated that the Blackstone Valley Coalition cleanup will not be done.

Francine called Lincoln High School concerning last month's communication on high school projects, and learned the principal had no knowledge of it.

Concerning Doris's question on portfolios, a faculty member involved in them stated they are being phased out beginning with this year's freshman class.

Francine emailed Kathy, asking her about the lighting at the new Visitors' Center, and she responded it was a town decision. Francine will try to learn more.

Owen stated a final decision on the Whipple-Cullen project should be March 19th.

Francine state that the Town of Cumberland has new LED lighting throughout the city.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

Al Rinaldi, Town Planner, had an email from a teacher stating there are students looking to volunteer.

IX. BUDGET: No report.

X. ELECTION OF OFFICES:

XI. ADJOURNMENT:

Owen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Francine seconded the motion. Vote unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm.

Minutes taken by Francine Jackson
Respectfully submitted by,
Leslie B Alexander, Secretary
Lincoln Conservation Commission