

**Minutes of the
Conservation Commission – City of Milford
Tuesday, November 15, 2016 – 6 p.m.
Parsons Conference Room A, Parson's Government Center**

1. Call to Order/Roll Call - The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Carolyn Alling, Claire Casey, Dan Drago, Ryan Keeler, Keith Dunn, and Janet McAllister.

Absent: Maureen Mauro DeSantie, Oden Seaholm, Jerry Loiselle

Staff Liaison – Steve Johnson, Open Space & Natural Resource Agent

2. Public Comments - none

3. Minutes – October 18, 2016 - Clair Casey motioned to accept. Keith Dunn seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed 6:0.

4. New Business

- a) CACIWC Annual Meeting highlights – there was a discussion and overview by attendees (Dan Drago, Claire Casey, Carolyn Alling, & Steve Johnson). All felt it was very helpful to attend.
- b) SALT Conference Nov. 19th – Johnson will be attending this Smaller American Lawns Today conference hosted at Connecticut College on Saturday.

5. Unfinished Business Updates

- a) 701 North Street - Johnson updated the commission:
 - 1. DPW has mowed the perimeter of the Orchard Area making it easier to access for anyone wanting to do a site visit this fall.
 - 2. Dr. Jeff Ward from CT. Ag. Experiment Station (CAES) is using the approximate 0.25 acre patch of running bamboo for research on best control methods. The research will conclude next June. Johnson has advised DPW not to do any work in the rear area. This is being provided at no cost to the City.
 - 3. Paige Miglio, Executive Director of the Milford Arts Council (MAC) & Johnson are exploring options that can benefit the community.
- b) Community Conservation Award nominees
 - 1. Johnson will prepare draft proclamation wording for the Conservation Service Awards on behalf of the Conservation Commission. He will review it with the sub-committee (Maureen Mauro-DeSantie, Claire Casey and Janet McAllister).
- c) Open Space Monitoring Checklist
 - 1. Sub-committee (Dan Drago, Janet McAllister, and Carolyn Alling) updated the Open Space and Application checklist (5d) review. The sub-committee will be summarizing the Application checklist first and that will become the basis for the Open Space checklist.

- d) Application Review Checklist (see 5c above)
- e) Commissioner Liaisons Updates to Boards and Commissions:
 - 1. Johnson updated Board of Aldermen vote to deny the 0 Myers Lane application.
- 6. Motion to Adjourn was made by Janet McAllister and seconded by Carolyn Alling at 7:30 p.m.
Motion passed 6:0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Johnson

Open Space and Natural Resource Agent.

These minutes have not been accepted or approved.