

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of
The Conservation Commission – City of Milford
June 15, 2010**

- 1. Call to Order/Roll Call** – Bill Poutray, Carolyn Greer, Kathy Kobishyn, Maureen Mauro, Danielle Bercury, Carol Dunn and Dan Drago.
- 2. Review Minutes** – The minutes from the May meeting were reviewed and accepted unanimously.
- 3. Unfinished Buiness**
 - a) Conservation Awards – Bill sent a proposal to Mayor Richetelli and is waiting to hear back from him. Bill will email the updated nomination form to everyone on the commission to look over. August 31st was agreed to as the deadline for receiving the nomination forms back with an extension if necessary. Bill will ask Mike Konopka to put the nomination form on www.milfordopenspace.org. Bill will find out if there is a way to set up an email through this website so that the forms can be tabulated automatically. If another email address is necessary, Carolyn said responses can be sent to her email address. Carolyn said her name and address can be used on the nomination forms for any responses that are mailed. She will hold all sealed nominations and bring them to the September Conservation Commission meeting.

Bill will make up a press release and Maureen will contact the newspapers. Carolyn will email the awards announcement sheet and the nomination form to Danielle who will make copies. The commission members will use the award distribution list handed out at a previous meeting.
 - b) Open Space Walks – The Eisenhower Park walk had a small group, but went well. Oden was very informative about the wildlife during the walk. Bill said it is important that there is enough lead time to get the word out so the walks are well attended. He said it would also be great to have experts, i.e., Oden Seaholm, Carolyn Alling who is a biologist, attend the walks for their insight. After some discussion, it was decided that a summer walk will be planned for Sunday, July 11th at Mondo Ponds. Dan will make up some information about the walk with bullet points and forward to Bill who will make up a release for the newspapers. After the walk on July 11th, the commission will decide if the walks should continue spaced throughout the summer or wait until the Fall.

3. Unfinished Business (Contd')

- c) **Mondo Ponds Reopening** – The reopening which took place on Saturday, June 5th, went very well. Mayor Richetelli was in attendance. Dan reported that an article regarding the reopening was in the internal Subway newsletter. Dan will check to see if this information was sent to the newspapers.
- d) **Freedom of Information Seminar** – Mayor Richetelli has invited all board and commission chairmen and vice-chairmen to attend a free Freedom of Information 101 workshop on Tuesday, June 29th in the City Hall auditorium at either 2 p.m. or 6 p.m. Bill will email the memo to the commission members.

4. New Business

- a) **Mayor's Open Space Advisory Committee Raw Survey Results** – Carolyn asked about follow up to the survey. Bill said everyone on the commission should continue to look over the results and as a commission, come up with some recommendations by the Fall.
- b) **Signs on Milford Green** – Carolyn asked about the new signs that were put up on the green last week.
- c) **Eco Lodge** – Maureen donated some furniture to the Eco Lodge and had an opportunity to see the lodge. She reported that Vincent Piselli received a proclamation from the mayor for all his work in Milford.
- d) **Dam Project near City Hall** – Carol said the Conservation Commission received a copy of a letter from the DEP regarding this project having "Moderate Hazard Potential". She went to Public Works and spoke to the assistant there who was not able to give her any additional information.. Carol will follow up with this.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 20, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Berberich

Minutes not approved by the Commission