**Minutes of the**

**The Conservation Commission Meeting – City of Milford**

**Tuesday, April 18, 2023– 6 p.m.**

**Conference Room A**

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

**Members Present:** Catherine Williams, Cheryl Cappiali, Claire Casey, Austin Wheaton, Tiana Perini (to be sworn in Monday, May 1, 2023), Carolyn Alling

**Absent**: Howard Haberman

 **Staff Liaison –** Jeremy Grant, Open Space and Sustainability Agent

 **Public Comments** – None

1. **Minutes** – Approval of the March 17, 2023, minutes tabled to next meeting.
2. **Chairs Report** – Cheryl Cappiali

Discussion of items needed for Earth Day on the Green April 22, 2023, 10am – 4pm.

Bartlett Tree Experts to give away free native dogwood trees.

1. **Open Space and Sustainability Agent** – Jeremy Grant
2. Discussion of a banner for the Conservation Commission
3. Tree Giveaway – April 29, 2023 – 7am Eisenhower Park.
4. Discussion of the need for No Dumping signs with explanation – no yard waste etc. in certain areas where residential property abuts or is adjacent to City property. Also, the need to draft a letter to educate nearby residents.
5. **Old Business** – Thule – Cathy Williams reports that they still want to do the clean-up but have not committed to a date yet. Also, schools are too busy for a discussion about outdoor learning, we will revisit this.
6. **New Business** –
7. Tiana Perini will be sworn in as a conservation commissioner on Monday, May 1, 2023, 7 pm. at City Hall.
8. Commissioners will work on a letter to residents near City property that will educate them about the environmental importance of composting on their own property and not dumping on open spaces in Milford.
9. **Motion to adjourn** – by Claire at 7pm., seconded by Cathy, there was no discussion. Motion passed 5:0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn Alling

Conservation Commissioner