Minutes of the The Conservation Commission Meeting – City of Milford Tuesday, December 19, 2023– 6 p.m. Via Zoom

 Call to Order/Roll Call - The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. Members Present: Tiana Perini, Catherine Williams, Cheryl Cappiali, Claire Casey, Carolyn Alling Staff Liaison – Jeremy Grant, Open Space and Sustainability Manager

Public Comments – Sarah Lilley, Arborist, Urban Forester, would like to create a management plan for a property in Milford. Abigal Bernstein also attended.

- 2. Minutes Approval of the November 21, 2023 meeting minutes, Claire Casey motioned to accept, Catherine Williams seconded, approved 5:0.
- 3. Chairs Report Cheryl Cappiali
 - a) Available Budget Balance how do we access it?
 - b) Review Workshops and Conferences to attend, composting, storm drains, things that would benefit the community
 - c) Cheryl and Cathey have an appointment to talk to Mayor Giannattasio on Jan. 11th.
- 4. Open Space and Sustainability Agent Jeremy Grant

Sustainable CT – we will lose certification in 2024 if we can't reach new goals. Jeremy will talk to the mayor and let us know what we can do to help. Tree giveaway April 27th after Arbor Day & Earth Day. Looking into catch basins, we will explain/promote it. Beaverbrook trails underwater, owner brought in machinery to clear culvert.

- 5. Old Business Additional city signs for dumping in open space areas.
 Focus on Wilcox Park- push to make it a showpiece.
- 6. New Business Select times and dates for site walks of city open space properties.
 - Wilcox Park Sunday Jan. 7th 9:30 am. Cancelled
 - Tudor Road Sunday Jan. 28th 9:30 am.

- Envirothon – get help from grade schools and high schools throughout the year, not just on Earth Day

7. Motion to adjourn – by Catherine Williams at 6:50 pm., seconded by Claire Casey, there was no discussion. Motion passed 5:0.

Respectfully Submitted, Carolyn Alling Conservation Commissioner