

Town of Vernon, CT Conservation Commission
Regular Meeting via Zoom Teleconference
Monday, March 15, 2021 at 7:00 PM

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DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Roll Call Chairperson Ryan Goad called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Regular members present: Ryan Goad, Richard Clark, James Simon

Members absent: Jason Seacat

Staff members present: George McGregor, Town Planner

Recording Secretary: Kathleen Minor

2. Administrative Actions/Requests

2.1. Amendment(s) to Agenda – none

2.2. Approval of the Minutes of the January 25, 2020 2021 Meeting

Ryan Goad, seconded by James Simon, made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 25, 2021 regular meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

2.3. Communications received not related to Agenda items – none

2.4. Letters sent by Conservation Commission last month

Ryan Goad has had email correspondence with Marty Sitler, Director of Parks and Recreation, regarding commission recruitment posters

2.5. Organizational considerations – no discussion

3. Open Space Program Update

Discussion ensued regarding the future vision of the Conservation Commission's roll in Open Space now that it is maxed.

4. New Business

4.1. Review of Pending Planning & Zoning Applications

Application **IWC-2101-01**, of Richard and Julie Clay for a wetlands permit by commission, for the construction of a +- 2,400 s.f. single-family home located at 58 Wildwood Rd., (Assessors ID: Map 52, Block 0139, Parcel 00050)

James Simon, seconded by Richard Clark, made a motion for Ryan Goad to send an email to the Town Planner with the commission's recommendation to leave existing vegetation along the lake side. Motion carried unanimously.

Application **IWC-2101-02**, of Pamela Gieras for a wetlands permit by Commission, for the construction of a +2,200 s.f. single-family home located at 7 Beechwood Rd. (Assessors ID: Map 52, Block 140F, Parcel 00005)

No action taken by commission

Application **PZ-2021-02**, of Krause Realty Trust, requesting a zone change for two parcels, one located at 34 Acorn Rd. (Assessor's ID: Map 01, Block 159A, Parcel 00002) and the other located at 42 Acorn Rd. (Assessor's ID: Map 01, Block 159A, Parcel 00001). Both parcels are currently zoned R-27. The requested change is to rezone 1.1457 acres of the

parcels to Commercial, in order to merge that portion into adjacent Commercial land to provide additional inventory parking at an automobile dealership, and to rezone 1.2407 acres of the parcels to Open Space Zone.

Town Planner provided updates to project. No action taken.

4.2. Natural Resources –

4.2.1. Vernal Pools – No discussion

4.2.2. Bolton Lake Issues

Ryan Goad provided updates regarding the status of the Watershed Management Plan and the Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP) Grant being used. An email will be sent to the commission.

Discussion ensued regarding the trails throughout town. Town Planner George McGregor will reach out to the Director of Parks and Recreation, Marty Sitler, and ask him to join a future meeting.

4.2.3. Non-Point Source Pollution – No discussion

5. Other Business/Goals/Discussion

5.1. Future Activities – No discussion

5.1.1. Annual Goals

5.1.2. Potential Activities

5.2. POCD Updates

Town Planner George McGregor updated the commission on the status and progress of the POCD.

6. Adjournment – Richard Clark, seconded by James Simon, made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Kathleen Minor
Recording Secretary