

**TOWN OF VERNON, CT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Monday, October 18, 2021, 7:00 P.M.

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1. Call to Order and roll call

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ryan Goad
Members Present: Ryan Goad, Jason Seacat, Nicholas Cranmer
Members Absent: Jim Simon
Staff Present: George McGregor, Town Planner

2.1 Approval of Revised Agenda

Mr. Goad asked to revise the agenda, Section 4.3, adding a discussion of the Riffle Bio Assessment By Volunteers Program (RBV). Mr. Seacat MOVED to approve the revised agenda, seconded by Mr. Cranmer; the Motion passed 3-0.

2.2 Administrative Actions/Requests

Approval of the Minutes of the September 20, 2021 meeting

Mr. Seacat MOVED, seconded by Mr. Goad, to accept the minutes of the September 20, 2021 meeting. The Motion carried unanimously.

4.2 Pending Planning & Zoning Applications

Mr. McGregor briefed the Commission on PZ 2021-12, Overnight Parking in the PDZ District. The amendment is intended to clarify language to allow overnight parking as an accessory use (overnight guests at a hotel, for instance).

No action taken.

4.3 Natural Resources-Riffle Bio Assessment by Volunteers Program (RPV)

Mr. Goad introduced this agenda item with a summary of this CT volunteer water quality monitoring program, coordinated by DEEP. Mr. Cranmer MOVED to appoint Tom Ouellette of the Open Space Task Force, as Vernon's representative to this program, and that the Conservation Commission endorsed the RPV. Seconded by Mr. Seacat, the Motion passed 3-0.

4.3 Forest & Trees

The Commission requested that future agendas include "Forest & Trees" in this Section (4.3).

No action necessary.

6. Adjournment

Mr. Seacat, seconded by Mr. Goad, motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,


George McGregor, AICP
Town Planner