

Woodbridge Conservation Commission
March 17, 2016
Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Jason Morrill, Chair; Traci Cipriano, Frank DeLeo, Tim Kelley, Lauren Miller, Julie Perlman

Not in Attendance: Tom Kenefick, Board of Selectman liaison Joseph Dey and staff Betsy Yagla

- I. Chair Jason Morrill called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.
- II. Public Comment: There was no public comment.
- III. Minutes: Tim Kelley made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 21, 2016 meeting. Julie Perlman seconded. All in favor.
- IV. The Commission discussed the Trail Walks
 - A. March Walk led by Frank DeLeo at the Elderslie Preserve; Mike Walters, Trailmaster, joined to help. Ten people attended walk.
 - B. April Walk will be led by Tim Kelley at Pine Hills Trail, start at end of Hemlock Hollow; Betsy will advertise on Town website
 - C. May Walk will be led by Julie Perlman
 - D. June Walk will be led by Jason Morrill teamed with Orange for a Racebrook Tract Walk
 - E. July & August still need leaders
 - F. September Walk will be led by Traci Cipriano
 - G. October Walk will be led by Jason Morrill in coordination with Family Fun Day at Massaro Farm
 - H. November Walk to be led by Lauren Miller
- V. Regional Water Authority – House Nomination Project
 - A. Goal to earn Historic Register status for four Water Authority Houses
 - B. Jason Morrill explained history of application
 - C. Jason Morrill made the motion to recommend to the Board of Selectman the expenditure of \$1000 to complete the nomination process of four RWA houses to the State Historic register contingent upon agreement from the RWA of acceptance of any and all nominations by the State. Frank DeLeo seconded; Motion passed unanimously.
- VI. CT DEEP Recreational Trail Grant
 - A. To extend Woodbridge Town's Greenway
 - B. Jason Morrill provided updates on progress with parcels under consideration
 - C. Frank DeLeo provided further perspective
- VII. Open Space Plan
 - A. Discussion and update
 - B. Critical to indicate importance and reason for inclusion of any properties listed in the document
 - C. Clarification of criteria for parcels listed in Open Space Plan Document

- D. Homework for WCC Committee members – re-read, update info, compare to Open Space Plans in other towns; Bring document to April meeting with revisions, etc.

VIII. Chairman's Report

- A. Orange will co-sponsor Trail Walk with WCC in June; Racebrook Tract – info table & refreshments
- B. Thomas Ebersol interested in updating blazes on West Rock Ridge State Park, differentiating blue from purple blazes; WCC will invite Tom to our next meeting.

L. Miller made motion to adjourn. T. Kelley seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.