

BOLTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes

Regular Meeting

Monday, January 8, 2018

7:00 p.m.

TOWN HALL

Members present: Rodney Parlee, Peter Van Dine, Brenda Cataldo

1.0 Preliminaries

1.1 Call Meeting to Order- The Chairman, Rod Parlee called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

1.2 Approval of Agenda- A motion was made by Brenda Cataldo, seconded by Peter Van Dine to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

1.3 Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting on December 4, 2017-

A motion was made by Peter Van Dine and seconded by Rod Parlee to approve the regular meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

2.0 Public Comment

None

3.0 Correspondence

-Rod Parlee received emails from Deb Livingston regarding, recycling in our schools and the, Summer Trails Day event. Rod Parlee discussed a Trails Day hike from Freja Park to Middle Bolton Lake Dam, via Rails to Trails and the Tulip Tree Trail. A hike to Black Sal's Cave was also discussed as a possibility. Tentatively the hike could begin at 9:00 a.m. An official start time for the hike will be discussed at next months BCC meeting.

-Rod Parlee received an email from Kyleen Welchman of Bolton Recreation, on the National Kids To Parks Day Event, to be held in May, encouraging the BCC to get involved. It was suggested by Rod Parlee that we participate with a hike at Herrick Park on the Bates Trail.

4.0 Financial Report-

4.1 Accounts Balance- Peter Van Dine presented the Treasurers Report. A motion was made by Brenda Cataldo and seconded by Rod Parlee to approve the Treasures Report as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

4.2 Calendar Publisher Payment Confirmation- Peter Van Dine will check on the calendar payment status to Hedges & Hedges Printers.

4.3 Calendar Ad Checks- Brenda Cataldo submitted the final check from calendar advertisers.

4.4 FY 2018-2019 Budget Request Approval- Report was submitted to Kathy McCavanagh. Peter Van Dine familiarized the BCC with our requests to the BOS.

5.0 Unfinished Business

5.1 Calendar Sales, Distribution of Free Calendars to Advertisers, etc.- Brenda Cataldo reviewed the recent sales of calendars and stated that she will be distributing the free calendars to advertisers.

5.2 Photo Contest Publicity- Advertising was posted on Everything Bolton, Facebook page.

5.3 Winter Stream Temp. Monitoring – Peter Van Dine reported that Meghan Lally will be returning from maternity leave, on the 1st business day of February, to her position at CT DEEP as Volunteer Water Monitoring Coordinator.

5.4 Petrin Property- The Commission agreed to maintain interest in the Petrin Property.

5.5 BLWCA Report and next meeting on January 11th- A vote will be taken to have the North Central Conservation District take over finances, giving the BLWCA opportunity to open an account to take in funding to apply for grants, etc. The BLWCA may be applying for two Grants, the Michael Lefor Grant and Les Mehrhoff Preservation Grant.

5.6 Freja Park Kiosk & Small Plaque Estimate- It was discussed to contact Sandy Pierog, to move the kiosk to a storage area until spring. Peter Van Dine reported on getting contact information from the Eagle Scouts as to where past plaques for the kiosks were purchased.

6.0 New Business

6.1 BCC Facebook Page- The BCC Facebook page was reviewed for possible reinstatement.

6.2 Results of DOT Information Meeting on Dec 6th- Review of that meeting was discussed.

6.3 Winter Trails Day on January 13th- The event details were planned by the Commission.

6.4 Recycling in our Schools- Deb Livingston and Ray Boyd will be invited to the next meeting, to review recycling ideas in our schools.

6.5 Nathan Hale Greenway- A hike with Rod Parlee and John Calandretti took place on December 21st. Rod Parlee discussed aggressive logging through a section of the Nathan Hale Greenway and the explosion of invasives.

6.6 Draft FY 17-16 Annual Report- Rod Parlee is working on the draft report for the Fiscal Year -Annual Report.

6.7 Outreach- Will be conducted at the Winter Trail's Day Hike.

7.0 Approval of Clerk's Invoice

Peter Van Dine made a motion to approve the clerk's invoice as submitted and was seconded by Rod Parlee. The motion passed unanimously.

8.0 Adjournment- A motion was made by Peter Van Dine, seconded by Rod Parlee to adjourn the meeting at 9:32 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectively submitted,

Brenda Cataldo
Conservation Commission Member

Please see the minutes of subsequent meetings for the approval of these minutes and any corrections hereto.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 5, 2018, 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall.