

**Town Of Thompson**  
**Conservation Commission**  
815 Riverside Drive, PO Box 899  
North Grosvenordale, Connecticut 06255

MINUTES—SPECIAL MEETING: JUNE 20, 2016  
TOWN HALL 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

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Chairman Phil Thomas called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

Members present: Phil Thomas, Norma O’Leary, Ron Tillen, Kathy Mitchell, Carol Smith and Bernie Davis.

Staff present: Audrey Witkowski and Carolyn Werge.

Guests present: Hap Coman.

*Approval of Minutes*

1. **Bernie Davis moved and Ron Tillen seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the May 16, 2016 meeting as presented; the motion carried.**
2. **Bernie Davis moved and Ron Tillen seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the June 13, 2016 meeting as presented; the motion carried.**

*Financial Matters*

1. Carol Smith reported as of May 26th, 86.5% of the budget has been used.

*Correspondence*

- a. Members received via email:
  - 1) Minutes: Conservation Commission, May 16, 2016 and June 13, 2016.
- b. Incoming Mail:
  - 1) A copy of Mr. Joseph A. Bachand’s application approval to conduct certain regulated activities at Reams Pond on Quinnatisset Brook, dated May 17, 2016.
- c. Outgoing Mail: None.
- d. Incoming Mail via email: None.
- e. Outgoing Mail via email: None.

*Officer and Committee Reports*

1. Conservation Officer Report
  - a. New Requests: None.
  - b. Old Requests: None.
  - c. Updates:
    - 1) Cemeteries Updates:
      - i. The Conservation Commission conducted a site walk on June 13, 2016 for the possible cemetery near North Grosvenordale Pond. The site appears to have graves marked by rough field stones with no inscriptions. The Commission would like to organize a work crew to conduct a rough survey and clean up the area. Research of the area has yet to turn up any reference to a cemetery. The commission plans to contact the Thompson Historical Society to request that anyone with information on the possible cemetery share it with the Conservation Commission.
    - 2) Two updated maps have been added to the Conservation Commission website: *Map of Conservation Easements* and *Map of Permanently Protected Land in Thompson*.
    - 3) Carolyn Werge reviewed the deed for the Morning Beckons Farm, formerly known as the Doris Shaw Wildlife Sanctuary. The property is not protected with a conservation easement but it does contain covenants enforceable by the grantor and her heirs.
    - 4) **Bernie Davis moved and Ron Tillen seconded the motion to send to the Connecticut Land Conservation Council for the annual membership. All in favor; the motion carried.**
2. Other

*Old Business*

1. Update on previous Conservation reviews: No update.
2. Blue Bird houses: No update.
3. Fabyan Property with “Honor Roll” marker: No update.

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4. Discussion of site visit to Heritage Way Park.

*New Business*

*Citizens' Comments*

*Members' Forum*

*Announcements*

*Future Meeting*

1. The next meeting will be held Monday, July 18, 2016 at 7 PM in the Town Hall 2nd Floor Conference Room.

*Adjournment*

1. Chairman Thomas adjourned the meeting at 6:45 PM.

Audrey Witkowski  
Recording Secretary