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Kent Conservation Commission Wednesday, July 12, 2023 @7:00pm Kent Town Hall Agenda

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88363502042?pwd=RDNRbUJqWkZ6Q2svVGhkR3FJOTZzQT09

Meeting ID: 883 6350 2042 Passcode: 838361

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Accept/Amend Agenda
- 3. Accept/Amend Minutes June14, 2023
- 5. Treasurer's Report
- 6. Public comment
- 7. Old Business:

Discussion items

A. Legislative Watch, Guest: State Representative, Maria Horn (reference list of bills below)

B. Materials Management in Kent - PAYT / organics recycling

Updates (as needed):

- C. Protection of Farms and Farmers from Nuisance Claims
 - D. POCD Planning & Zoning Regulations Updates; Chapter reviews
 - E. Kent Municipal Open Space Acquisition
- F. Green Energy Task Force
 - G. Housatonic Herbicide Working Group HHWG -
 - H. Sustainable CT
- 8. New Business:
 - A. Conservation issues at Emery Park
 - 9. Correspondence
 - 10. Adjourn * Reminder NO MEETING in August

Legislative Watch list:

SB 73 Requiring Local Representation on Siting Council PASSED

SB 896 DEEP and Tree Removal in State Parks PASSED

SB 962 The Use of Certain Rodenticides Died in Senat PASSED

SB 963 Neonicotinoids for Non-Agricultural Use Died in Senate

SB 1147 An Act Concerning The Environmental Justice Program Of The Department Of Energy And Environmental Protection. *PASSED*

HB 5278 - Increasing List of Invasive Plants Prohibited from Sale in CT Died in EnviComm

HB 5400 The Preservation of Stone Walls in the State Died in Senate

HB 5608 Photovoltaic Facilities on Prime Farmland, Farmland of State-wide Importance or Core Forests PASSED

HB 6397 Zero Carbon Emissions Died in Senate

HB 6481 Prohibiting Release of Certain Balloons Died in Senate

HB 6482 Raising the Bonding Limit to 25K for Greenways Bikeways/Rec Trails Died in Committee (wrapped in elsewhere?)

HB 6483 Enabling Bonding for State Open Space (OSWA) - 10M Died in Committee

HB 6484 An Act Concerning Certain Harvesting of Horseshoe Crabs PASSED

HB 6485 Authorizing Green Burial Companies to Receive Open Space Funds Died in House

HB 6486 EPR for Tires PASSED

HB 6606 The Use of Certain Products Made From Polystyrene Died in Committee

HB 6607 Nighttime Lighting of State-Owned Buildings at Certain Times for the Protection of Birds PASSED

HB 6608 The Distribution of Single Use Plastic Straws by Certain Restaurants Died in House

HB 6610 "No Net Loss" of State Forest Lands (never moved)

HB 6942 Bonding Measure PASSED \$3M for Rec & Natural Heritage program

\$500M from CT Green Bank authorized for waste disposal facility construction