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# KENT CONSERVATION COMMISSION Kent Town Hall 41 Kent Green Boulevard Kent, Connecticut 06757

### MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING February 24, 2021

Present: Commissioners Connie Manes (chair), Liddy Baker, Melissa Cherniske, Carol Franken, and Wendy Murphy; advisor Jos Spelbos, visitor Mike Benjamin

#### 1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6.35 pm.

### 2. <u>Accept/amend agenda</u>

The agenda which focused solely on a "Review of Kent POCD--Plan of Conservation and Development was accepted by all.

3. Connie had divided the six commissioners into three teams, each of which was to review in advance a section of the 2010 POCD text, looking for conditions that have changed in the last 10 years, conditions that had been overlooked and needed planning in the new POCD, and goals that had been addressed and resolved since the writing. Connie set a time limit of approximately 15 minutes for each team to highlight their findings.

Team One, Liddy and Wendy, were asked to focus on pages 5-18, which deal with Planning Overview and Preservation of Natural and Rural Heritage.

Team Two, Connie and Jos, focused on Community Development Goals, pages 19-33

Team Three, Melissa and Carol, were assigned Community Assets, pages 34-48.

- 4. The commissioners were in agreement that the P&Z, which is tasked with writing the final document, should make every effort to shorten the text and to improve its overall organization. Meanwhile we began preparing a list of significant Conservation and Development goals that had changed, were missing altogether (Climate Change for example), and goals that needed updates. We also agreed that we would continue to evaluate the 2010 POCD and also look at other towns' documents, particularly those that have recently been adopted, Cornwall being one such town. When we would hold another Special Meeting to continue the discussion was not decided.
- 5. Adjourn.

There being no further business Connie adjourned the Special Meeting at 8.10.

Respectfully submitted By Wendy Murphy February 25, 2021