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

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING July 11, 2018



Present: Commissioners Liddy Baker, Carol Franken, Connie Manes, and Wendy Murphy; advisor Jos Spelbos; reporter Lynn Worthington. Absent: Melissa Cherniske, Rick Levy and Donna Sommers

Prior to the meeting the following items were distributed via email:

- A. Draft Agenda
- B. Draft Minutes of Meeting of June 13, 2018
- C. Approved Minutes of the May 2018 meeting
- 1. Call to order.

A quorum being present chair Connie Manes called the meeting to order at 7.10 pm.

2. Accept/Amend Agenda.

Upon a motion by Wendy, seconded by Connie, the agenda was unanimously accepted.

3. Review, amend, approve meeting Minutes

Upon a motion by Liddy, seconded by Wendy, the Minutes of the June 13 regular meeting were unanimously approved.

4. <u>Treasurer's report</u>

Liddy presented her report, listing recent expenses of \$110 for dues, and a year-end balance of \$167.39.

5. Public Comment

None

- 6. Old Business
- 6A. Cricket Valley Energy Center

Wendy has contacted a number of organizations to find support for setting up air monitoring stations. Together with Carol she wrote a letter which will be published as a special online selectmen's newsletter. We have received endorsements from state representative Ohler and state senator Miner. Connie has invited a number of regional conservation commissions to a meeting at Kent Town Hall on Wednesday July 18 at 7pm to discuss actions that we can take together, and to set up a regional task force to lead the effort, separate from the conservation commissions. Carol will develop an agenda, and Jos will take the meeting Minutes. Carol and Wendy plan to write a response to informative articles by the editor of the Lakeville Journal, clarifying that we are not opposing the construction of the CVEC, but are focusing efforts on establishing a monitoring protocol.

These are Draft Minutes and are not considered final until approved. Corrections may be made by the Commission at a subsequent meeting. Please refer to subsequent meeting minutes for possible changes or corrections.

6B. Fracking waste ordinance

Tabled

6C. Planning and Zoning

The revised zoning regulations have recently been adopted by the P&ZC after a long process of rewriting, deliberating and revising. They are not posted on the town website yet in their final form.

6D. Tree planting

Concerns were raised about watering the recently planted redbud trees at the Kent Welcome Center, and the KCS plantings.

6E.	NCRI resource maps	Tabled
6F.	HVA-Greenprint Regional corridors and connectors	Tabled
6G.	Sustainable CT	Tabled
6H.	Welcome to Kent brochure	Tabled
6I.	Trails brochure	Tabled

7. New Business

None

8. Correspondence

Connie announced an appearance by US senator Chris Murphy at the Kent Land Trust field on 7/20 at 4pm to talk about the importance of continuing to fund the Land and Water Conservation Fund and the Highlands Act for local conservation efforts. This event is organized by HVA and the KLT.

9. Adjourn

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8.45 pm. There will be no regular meeting in August.

Respectfully submitted, Jos Spelbos August 12, 2018