

WALLINGFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

Room 315, Town Hall

45 South Main Street, Wallingford, CT

Thursday, April 11, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

AGENDA

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting, Feb. 8, 2024

2. PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

A. Fresh Meadows

1. Kiosk content & map, J. Borne
2. Graffiti – status
3. Butterfly Loop Trail wash-out

B. Ferguson Woods

1. Kiosk fabrication/installation
2. Proposal from Parks & Recreation Director, submitted by Scott Gray, regarding revision to re-routed Yellow Trail portion by bog-bridge & expenses list

C. Marcus Cooke Memorial Park

1. Proposal for trail GPS, re-blazing, mapping, trail re-routes, and signage

D. Other Property – member reports

3. FARMLAND LEASE PROPERTIES PROGRAM

A. Farmland Lease Committee - D. Saunders, Chair

1. Town Council - bid awards (19 hayfields) - 2/23/24 Meeting
2. Lease status
3. Field Monitoring Reports
4. Revised field monitoring form
5. Committee members and assigned lease areas/lessees
6. Field 3A – East Center Street - gate
7. Next Committee Meeting

4. BUDGET FY24-25 – staff report

5. PROFESSIONAL NATURAL RESOURCES SERVICES – discussion

A. Bat box installation

B. Eradication work

C. Evaluation of Farmland Conservation Management Areas

D. Evaluation of open space properties

E. Field 20A improvements

F. Maltby Lane/Mill race washout-out

G. Other proposals

6. PROPERTY MANAGEMENT – TYLER MILL PRESERVE

A. Stewards of Tyler Mill, Co-Chairs Monthly Report, D. Saunders & D. Lendler

B. Kiosk – expenses authorized

- C. Proposal** - from K. Michaels, Director, Parks & Recreation, submitted by Doug Clark, Regarding two existing unnamed trails that connect to the 'Boy Scout Trail'
- D. Proposal** - from K. Michaels, Director, Parks & Recreation, submitted by Scott Gray, Regarding trail changes, "*4 Recommended Items for Tyler Mill Remapping Project*" -
4. Extend Gold Trail to unofficial trail that currently connects with Blue Trail & re-blaze it to become the 'Purple/Yellow Trail'(presented Feb.8 Meeting)
- E. Comprehensive review of attributes and management concerns**
- F. Other reports**

7. REPORTS / CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Trails Work Group** – TWG information/matters not discussed above, D. Lendler
- B. CT Land Conservation Council – Conference, March 23, 2024** - member reports
- C. Memorandum from Janis Small, 3/21/24**
- D. Quinnipiac University volunteers**

8. NEXT MEETING – May 9, 2024

9. ADJOURNMENT

Individuals in need of auxiliary aids for the effective communication in programs and services of the Town of Wallingford are invited to make their needs and preferences known to the ADA Compliance Coordinator at 203-294-2070 five days prior.