Minutes of Conservation Commission Meeting

4:30 PM, September 2, 2021

<u>Members</u>: (Meeting was via Zoom): Rick Holloway*, Sandy Prisloe, Peggy Wilson, Margot Burns, Ted Taigen*, Lisa Wahle, Kate Hair

(* = not in attendance)

Meeting called to order at 4:40 pm

<u>Minutes</u>: On a motion by Peggy Wilson, seconded by Kate Hair, the minutes of the August regular meeting were approved unanimously.

Audience of citizens: None in attendance

Correspondence: None received.

Old Business

- a. Envirotips. Peggy will continue to produce these, with assistance from other members of the Commission when requested.
- b. SustainableCT. No report but it was noted that application for certification has been made.
- c. <u>Invasive plant educational outreach</u>. All fact sheets produced to date are now available on the CC's page on the Chester Town website. The commission discussed the pollinator garden at the Water Street parking lot. *Kate* will talk to Lauren about the CC's desire to maintain the garden and to add educational interpretive signage. *Kate* and *Lisa* will consider writing an article for Chester Events (deadline 9/17) on either the benefits of milkweed or the invasive plant *Euonymus sp.*
- d. Cedar Lake invasive aquatic plants issues. No report
- e. Open Space Map. No report
- f. By-Laws. No report.
- g. Website. **Sandy** indicated that the new website soon will be ready for public release.
- h. <u>Wast Management</u>. **Kate** said that Deep River and Chester hoped to be able to have a 9/25 kick-off event to begin a food waste recycling program at the Deep River transfer station. Plans are not final so she will keep CC members informed as things develop.

New Business

a. none

Adjournment: 5:40 PM

Next meeting October 7, 2021 at 4:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted, Sandy Prisloe for Richard Holloway