Town of Montville Conservation Commission

Meeting Minutes September 5, 2023, 6:00 PM Room 102 – Town Hall

- 1) Call to Order -6:00 p.m.
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance followed by a Moment of Silence in Honor of our Military
- 3) Roll Call Commissioners LeClaire, Carver and Bacon were present. Alternate Commissioner Elaine Hess was read in as a voting member. Councilor Tim May was also present.
- 4) Presentations Citation presented by Mayor McDaniel to former Chair and Commissioner Paul Chase.
- 5) Alterations to the Meeting Agenda -none
- 6) Comments from the Public on Agenda Items -none
- 7) Approval of Meeting Minutes from August 1, 2023 Commissioner LeClair motioned to approve, Commissioner Hess seconded. Motion unanimously approved.
- 8) Communications -none
- 9) Old Business Agenda
 - a) Conservation Center update -more boardwalk was installed August 27. Commissioner Bacon will reach out to Chair Sabilia about scheduling another work day, perhaps using online scheduler via doodle.com. Councilor May had spoken with DPW Director Carlson regarding a durable rubbish bin. Director Carlson informed Councilor May that a bench has been donated by the Lions Club. A suggestion was made regarding a concrete pad for the bench and the picnic table. Commissioner LeClaire has been working with CT AllTrails who have uploaded some Conservation Center trail data to their site. She is also on the list to be notified for sign up for 2024 Trails Day (sign up is in November 2023). Trails Day will be added to New Business for our October meeting. Ideas briefly mentioned were: identifying an educational speaker, kid-friendly events and contests.
 - b) Garden club update-Commissioner Hess met with garden club members to walk the Old Town Hall lawn area and make preliminary plans for a clean up. She mentioned that the club is preparing for 501c3 filing.
 - c) Participation in community expo event at Raymond Library September 30th 10 am 1 p.m. Commissioner Hess will put together the table/booth for the Conservation Commission and will invite the Garden Club members to have a table near ours.

- d) Nips update Commissioner May said that the Town is still working on the application process for non-profits.
- 10) New Business Agenda no agenda for this meeting; however, for the next meeting, the commission may discuss: where to install the bench; planning a fall walk; Trails day planning; and discussion of remaining funds and uses.
- 11) Comments from the Public-none
- 12) Comments from Town Council Liaison -none
- 13) Comments from Commissioners-none
- 14) Adjourn -7:26 p.m.