CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES Regular Meeting of October 9, 2018 at 7:00 pm

Meeting Room 3, Municipal Center, 3 Primrose Street, Newtown, CT

These Minutes are Subject to Approval by the Conservation Commission

Present: Holly Kocet, Gail Friedman, Mark Lurie, John Madzula II,

Ms. Kocet opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES for September 25, 2018

Mr. Lurie moved to approve the minutes from September 25, 2018. Ms. Friedman seconded. All in favor. The minutes from September 25, 2018 were approved.

AGENCY REPORTS

Planning and Zoning – Mr. Madzula will report on Planning and Zoning going forward.

Board of Selectman – Ms. Kocet stated the BOS approved the Hubbard temporary bridge unanimously. A license was granted for the project.

DISCUSSION

Stonebridge Walk – The Commissioners had a great walk with Jeremy Clark at the Stonebridge property. Mr. Clark was the forester of the Stonebridge Forestry project two years ago. Jeremy was very pleased with the progress of the growth and was excited with the regeneration of plant species.

High Meadow - The Commission planted more flowers in June. Ms. Kocet asked Carl from Parks and Rec not to mow this fall but rather late winter or early spring.

Pole Bridge – Mr. Lurie tracked the trail and rerouted the pathway around the other side. Mr. Lurie put pin flags along the trail. Mr. Lurie stated the field and stilt grasses were mowed. The Commission is still waiting for the pipe fence to be installed and the brush pile to be removed. The Commissioners would like to set up a walk for Sunday at 9:00 am.

Permanent Conservation Table – Ms. Kocet stated there are no changes to the table and she is looking for new ideas and topics. The Commission discussed possibly focusing on the trails in Newtown. Mr. Lurie would like to create an interactive GPS mapping system for the trails using Google Maps. Mr. Lurie described how the mapping system would work and its benefits to the people walking the trails.

Website – Mr. Lurie discussed how to link the trails to the website.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Friedman moved to adjourn the CC meeting. Mr. Lurie seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Dawn Fried, Clerk