



Coventry Conservation Commission
Regular Meeting
March 23, 2016
Town Office Building–Development Conference Room

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chairman Leroy Lowe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Other members present were Art Hall, Robert Proctor, Paul Manzone and Vincent Messino.

2. Secretary's Report

Art Hall moved to approve the minutes of March 9, 2016. Paul Manzone seconded the motion. All were in favor and the minutes were approved.

3. Financial Report

The budget level as last reported was \$2,135.

4. Audience of Citizens/Special Business

Coventry's Eric Thomas stopped by to seek funds for the Annex rain garden, to mulch and replant with several new plants from five or six native species, likely of varying colors and tolerant of dry and wet conditions. The garden, six inches in overall depth, now handles runoff from half the Annex roof. We suggested it be expanded slightly on its northern edge to accommodate new runoff. Paul Manzone moved to allocate funds for the rain garden project, up to a cap of \$500. Art Hall seconded the motion; all were in favor and the funding was approved.

5. Site Plan/Town Referral

16-03S—Connecticut Water Company, Nathan Hale pump station improvements, 101 Nathan Hale Drive. Noted without comment.

6. New Business

- Following our most recent walk of Patriots Park Woods, we've concluded that proposed changes and upgrades to the trail must be shown on-site rather than merely described. Public Works and other interested parties will let us know when they're ready to join us there.
- Paul Manzone reported ordering tree ID tags to be posted along the Patriots Park Woods trail, in accordance with the management plan.
- We confirmed Sunday April 3rd as the date for our stone wall clean-up project.

7. Old Business

None.

8. Members Forum

None.

9. Communications

- *Audubon*—March/April 2016.
- *National Parks*—Spring 2016.

10. Adjournment

Leroy Lowe moved to adjourn the meeting. Robert Proctor seconded the motion. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Our next regular meeting is scheduled for April 13, 2016.

Submitted by Robert Proctor

