

**TOWN OF GRANBY
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
August 27, 2013**

PRESENT: Chairman Anna Sogliuzzo; Mark Fiorentino; Vicky Diorienzo; Carolyn Flint; Lana Torres. Also present was nominee Bill Sleavin.

Chairman Anna Sogliuzzo confirmed a quorum and called the special meeting of the Conservation Commission to order at 7:25 p.m.

The Commission discussed proposed future projects and agreed to include the following:

- Write an article for the Drummer outlining the Commission's role and detailing current projects.
- Establish working relationships with local youth groups and obtain their assistance with the implementation of suitable projects. Groups could include: boy scouts, girl scouts, church groups, school clubs.
- Add horse trails to GPS trail maps, enhance maps with photos and points of interest and publish on the website.
- Discuss website guidelines with the town manager's office with a view to creating a Commission website.
- Create a flyer for distribution in town offices/libraries, etc. detailing the Commission's goals and responsibilities.
- Participate in Granby Days and handout information on available GPS guided trails.
- Organize events/seminars to educate the residents on our town's unique assets. Investigate library/Holcomb Farm as possible venues.
- Invite local not-for-profit groups to present current clean energy options. Review strategy for clean energy promotion.
- Invite town residents to submit photos of local wildlife, publish best submissions on website.
- Include information for conserving land (Public Act 420, conservation easements, etc.) on the website.
- Liaise with the state to conduct a wildlife survey.

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- Review procedures for liaising with Planning & Zoning and Inland/Wetlands Commissions on planning proposals that concern the Conservation Commission.
- Evaluate web based preliminary environment assessment tool to identify environmentally sensitive areas.
- Liaise with Simsbury to identify ways in which Granby can safely promote bike use.
- Partner with the Granby Historical Society with a view to including a historical and cultural inventory in the Natural Resource inventory.
- Schedule a review and update of the Natural Resource Inventory for 2014.
- Evaluate printer cartridge recycling programs and create a drop off point in an appropriate location.

The proposed projects will be prioritized at the next regularly scheduled Conservation Commission meeting on September 5, 2013.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jini Ruscitti
Recording Secretary