

**Preston Conservation and Agricultural Commission
Preston Town Hall
Monday, June 24, 2019 7:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting**

1. Call to Order

Vice Chairman Snurkowski called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm

2. Roll Call

Regular Members

Gary Piszczek, Chairman – arrived at 7:38 pm
Matthew Snurkowski, Vice Chairman
Susan Mattern, Secretary - excused
Lynwood Crary
Margaret Gibson - absent
Ted Zajac

Alternates

Roberta Charpentier
Sandy Pimentel - excused

3. Approval of the May 20, 2019 Regular Meeting minutes.

A motion was made by L. Crary and seconded by M. Snurkowski to approve the minutes of May 20, 2019 as presented.

All in favor. Motion carries

4. Comments from the Public

None

5. Communications

a) Subdivision request dated June 12, 2019 from Kathy B. Warzecha to the Conservation Agricultural Commission regarding Subdivision Application #2019-02, Shane J. Pollock, Applicant/Owner, for property at 17 Niewiarowski Road; 8 lot subdivision.

b) The Habitat, Winter/Spring 2019.

6. Public Hearings

None

7. Old Business

a) Clustered Zoning Regulations Farm Dating Program/Diane Hansen, Community Based Project.

Chairman Piszczek stated that he told Diane Hansen the CAC will bring boards and pumpkins for painting in the Fall.

b) Hniatuk & Grossman properties – future use.

Ideas:

- Nature Walk
- Pequotsepos demonstration
- Walktober
- Cross country run

c) State Hospital Development.

L. Crary stated that they are still working on the ash.

d) Management update letter for Mrs. Przyborowski.

Once the CAC can access the property.

e) Request of returning budget surplus to the Open Space Fund.

CAC will attend a BoF meeting after the budget is approved

f) White Gate LLC.

Remove from agenda.

g) Sue Nysten and having annual conservation/outdoors event in memory of her son, Justin.

Sue Nysten will attend a meeting to discuss.

h) Avalonia Open Space Partnership request.

- Kathy Warzecha will write the letter of support
- M. Snurkowski noted that Margaret Gibson was going to request more information on how the money would be spent from Avalonia.

8. Boots on the Ground – paddles in the water report.

a) Beaver Baffle Battle Report – The end of the beginning.

Chairman Piszczek stated that he has it stabilized for now.

9. New Business

a) Subdivision request dated June 12, 2019 from Kathy B. Warzecha to the Conservation Agricultural Commission regarding Subdivision Application #2019-02, Shane J. Pollock, Applicant/Owner, for property at 17 Niewiarowski Road; 8 lot subdivision.

L. Crary questioned whether leaving one lot as agricultural was allowed.

A motion was made by G. Piszczek and seconded by L. Crary to state that the CAC has no objection to the subdivision and encourages the developer to keep the remaining acres as agricultural land.

All in favor, Motion carries.

b) Avalonia Partnership Letter.

The CAC thought the letter should be a letter of support, not a letter of commitment and tabled approval.

c) Kleemann Farms, LLC Proposal - Indian Town Road Closure

L. Crary explained that a developer would like to use the road because he is building a large building

10. Meanderings

None

11. Adjournment

A motion was made by M. Snurkowski and seconded by L. Crary to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 pm,

All in favor. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

CAC
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Roberta Charpentier
recorder