



**Town of Beacon Falls
Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes-February 9, 2023
10 Maple Ave Beacon Falls, CT 06403**

(Subject to Revision)

Members Present: Julian Thomas (JT); Cody Muth (CM); Joann Delenick (JD); Victor Santos (VS); Ellen McAdam (EM); Lori Paradis-Brant (LPB)

1. **Call to Order/Pledge to the Flag:**

JT opened the meeting at 6:31pm

2. **Read and Approve Minutes from Previous Meetings:** LPB *Reading the minutes want to include it wasn't just a plant demo it was a native wildflower/pollinator garden; a garden with conservation purpose.*

Motion to accept minutes from the January 12, 2023, monthly meeting with revisions. Motion made by LPB/JD. All ayes. Motion Carried.

3. **Comments from the Public:** JT *asked 3 times None*

4. **Old Business**

- a. **Announcements:** JT *working on letter about Trails Day will present it at the next meeting.*
- b. **Lantern Ridge Park Updates:** JT *No updates.*
- c. **Current Development Projects in Town:** CM *Possible buyers for Tiverton*
- d. **Open Space Strategy & Planning:** LPB *Put together document will convert to google doc/excel to share at next meeting.*
- e. **Rimmon School House:** Clerk *Land Swap still with legal and BOS*
- f. **39 Acre Property:** Discussion took place about serving a dual-purpose recreation and conservation. JT/CM *proposal to board regarding off road vehicles to use the space. The town would collect a fee to register vehicles and it would be a way for the board to get money to purchase other land and maintain open space. LPB This doesn't align with the open space/conservation vision. EM What would be the insurance and liability for the town? CM we would need to research more but it would be a benefit for the town and the businesses along Main Street.*

5. **New Business:** *None*

6. **Petition from Commissioners:**

7. **Correspondence & Payment of Bills** Clerk *received email from finance regarding budget line items. \$5,000 currently sitting as a PO for tree service for Lantern Ridge, if there were other items that the board would like to be able to use the money for, they would have to request a new PO for funds to be reallocated. JT Bethany Land Trust contact me regarding a visit for an item near Mendell's Folly I will update the board regarding this visit next meeting.*

8. **Adjournment**

Motion to made to adjourn at 7:23pm by JD/CM all ayes. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:23pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leah Rajvong Clerk, Conservation Commission