

TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR

Minutes of the Conservation Commission meeting of April 2 2019

Albert Grant and Fran Neill present, no quorum, Donna Grant also present

Informal discussion started at 6:30

Old Business

Funding for open space – Albert met with the Treasurer Amy O’Toole and she said that bonding for open space would have to be for a particular project, and generally the process would be completed within a year. She will research what has been done in other towns like Suffield and Glastonbury, where a referendum allocated money to an open space fund. She suggested that the Fund Reserve Balance might be a source of funding to replenish the recently depleted Town’s Open Space Fund. Albert will attend the BOF meeting Apr. 17. The OS Fund had been \$265K and is now \$34K due to expenditures of \$16K for the Sabonis property and \$230K for the Riverbend agricultural easement.

An annual budget item would be another source of open space funding. The budget process starts in September.