

**Town of East Windsor  
Conservation Commission  
Minutes**

Thursday, October 22, 2020

Location:

Zoom meeting due to Covid-19

Agenda

I. CALL TO ORDER – ZOOM meeting not working – resorted to phone meeting

II. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

1. Attended by: Albert Grant, Donna Grant, Fran Neill, Kurt Kebschull  
Absent; Jamie Sydoriak

III. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of Sept. 24, 2020 read and discussed. Albert Grant made a motion to change Town Assessor to Town Treasurer in issue regarding line item funds. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kurt Kebschull. Motion passed unanimously to approve minutes as amended.

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. Election of Officers for 2021

Kurt Kebschull made motion to re-elect Albert Grant as Chairman and to elect Donna Grant as Secretary. Albert Grant 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously

2. Review of 2021 Meeting Schedule.

Albert Grant made motion to approve the Meeting Dates as presented. 2<sup>nd</sup> Kurt Kebschull. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Next meeting for November 2020. Will ask Margaret Hoffman if it would be possible to meet on 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 6:30 by ZOOM. Albert Grant will confirm with everyone.

4. Landowner contact. Jamie Sydoriak is working on outreach. Albert Grant suggested creating a brochure format, listing ways to preserve and rent land.

## VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. If Conservation Commission requested to have a line item on the Town budget, would it have to be spent within the year? We would like it to be a mechanism to accumulate money in the Open Space Fund. Albert Grant will follow-up with the Town Treasurer.
2. Regarding Open Space ordinance for PA 490 Albert Grant presented proposed wording to Helen Tetz, Town Assessor who clarified some of the wording.

Albert Grant presented the following wording. Motion to approve the wording for Open Space 490 ordinance was made by Kurt Kebschull. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Donna Grant. Motion approved.

“Any site or area of undeveloped land indicated as open space on an approved subdivision map.

For individual property owners seeking PA 490 classification, open space shall be any site or area of undeveloped land equal to 4 acres or more over the zone minimum lot size. Undeveloped land means land without buildings, roads, driveways or other permanent structures or active mineral extraction activities. When determining the acreage of a parcel of open space, the assessor will not include the minimal special requirements, or lot size required by the zone. Contiguous parcels within a zone having the same title owner may be aggregated for the purpose of determining the area which is eligible. Parcels which are intersected by a town or state road are considered contiguous parcels of land.”

What is the next step? Forward to B.O.S.?

## VII. MISCELLANEOUS

1. General Discussion.
2. Albert Grant submitted an annual report to the Town.

## VIII. REPORTS OF STAFF

## VIX. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

## IX. ADJOURNMENT

1. Motion made to adjourn by Donna Grant, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kurt Kebschull. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by Donna Grant