

**EAST LYME COMMISSION FOR THE  
CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

**Regular Meeting  
East Lyme Town Hall  
July 14, 2009**

Members Present

Art Carlson, Chairman  
Tom Kalal  
Ruth Reluga  
Marvin Schutt  
Mark Christensen  
Joe Mingo, Alternate

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CLERK'S OFFICE

July 17 20 09 pt. 8:10 (AM  
PM)

*Ethel B. Williams*

EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

I. Call the Meeting to Order

Chairman Carlson called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m..

II. Additions to the Agenda

Tom Kalal asked that "Locally Important Soils" be added to next month's agenda.

III. Public Delegations

James Christensen has taken some pictures of Open Space in town, and some other places in town that this Commission may be interested in. He offered the pictures to the Commission to be included in their Celebrate East Lyme display.

IV. Approval of Minutes from June 9, 2009 Special Meeting

**Motion (1) Marvin Schutt moved to approve the Minutes as submitted.**

**Seconded by Ruth Reluga.**

Ruth Reluga stated Mark Christensen mentioned at the meeting it should be "Agriculture Commission" and not "Agricultural Commission" but it is still being written as Agricultural Commission.

Chairman Carlson said the name of the Commission varies by Town and is really just a matter of opinion.

**Motion Passed 5-0.**

V. Old Business

a. Agricultural Commission

Tom Kalal discussed the proposed Right to Farm Ordinance. He stated they had received a letter dated September 11, 2008 from Mr. Formica asking them to develop a proposed ordinance.

Chairman Carlson asked that Mr. Kalal and Mr. Christensen finalize the Proposed Right to Farm Ordinance, and send a copy to each member of this Commission prior to the next meeting for review. He would like to vote on this at the next meeting.

b. Bio-Assessment of Inland Waters (locations, training date, trainees)

Ruth Reluga stated she had visited different locations on the Four Mile River. There was not much easy access, but Spring Rock Road was the easiest.

Volunteers are needed, as they will need three people at each location. They will be starting on September 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.

Chairman Carlson suggested asking for volunteers at Celebrate East Lyme. He will also try to reserve a room at the Police Station for the 19<sup>th</sup>.

Joe Mingo suggested they find a location on the Four Mile River that is south of the Old Lyme Landfill. He suggested Route 156.

c. Celebrate East Lyme Day

The members discussed the plans for their exhibit at Celebrate East Lyme.

d. Open Space Plan (Update)

Chairman Carlson presented the Open Space Plan to the Planning Commission. There will be a Public Hearing on August 4<sup>th</sup>. They may be voting that night. It is now up to the Planning Commission. He also read the Commission the letter he drafted to go out to owners of land mentioned in the Open Space Plan.

VI. New Business

Ruth Reluga asked that Artificial Turf be on the agenda for the next meeting. She would like the public to be able to give their input.

VII. Chairman's Report

Chairman Carlson discussed various open space acquisitions that have taken place around the State.

He is still attempting to get in touch with someone regarding the Yale property.

VIII. Adjournment

**Motion (2) Marvin Schutt moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m.**

**Seconded by Mark Christensen.**

**Motion Passed 5-0.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karen Miller Galbo".

**Karen Miller Galbo  
Recording Secretary**