

**Thomaston IWWC Conservation Sub-Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 26, 2016**

Members Present: Laura Fitch, Tony Samela

Others Present: Jeremy Leifert – Land Use Administrator

The meeting convened in the Building and Land Use Office, Town Hall, 6:30 PM

Minutes:

Agenda Item #1 – July 27, 2016 Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by T. Samela and seconded by L. Fitch to accept the minutes of the July 27, 2016 meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

Agenda Item #1 – Environmental Review Status, Dug Road Open Space Property

J. Leifert stated that the ERT for dug road would likely be taking place in the spring of 2017, but contact had not been made to confirm. Contact will be made prior to the regular November meeting of the full conservation commission.

Agenda Item #2 – Trail Improvements, Dug Road Open Space

The sub-committee discussed potential projects for the local boy scouts in making trail improvements to the property. It was the consensus of the sub-committee to wait until the ERT is finished to make any decisions on any improvements or new trails.

Agenda Item #3 – Illegal ATV Use/Gating, Dug Road Open Space

J. Leifert stated that he had spoken to members of the Cemetery Committee involved with installing the gate at the end of Dug Road near Hillside Cemetery. The Thomaston Fish and Game Club had been approached by one of the Committee members about gating on the opposite end of Dug Road near their property. J. Leifert will follow up before the next sub-committee meeting in January.

Agenda Item #4 – Discussion of open space dedication of 4 acres at Nystrom's Pond

The sub-committee discussed this item, and consensus was reached to bring the open space dedication before the full commission. The purpose is to request that the dedication of the land as specified in the contract with CT DEP in 1988 should be requested to the Board of Selectmen to be placed on the same town meeting agenda as the fee schedule currently under revision by the IWWC.

New Business:

Agenda Item #1 – Proposed 2017 Sub-Committee Meeting Schedule

The committee reviewed the proposed 2017 meeting dates included in the meeting packet.

A motion to accept the meeting schedule for 2017 as presented was made by L. Fitch and seconded by T. Samela. Motion unanimously passed.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn at 6:42 was made by L. Fitch and seconded by T. Samela. Motion unanimously passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeremy Leifert,
Wetland Enforcement Officer/Land Use Administrator