

Killingworth Conservation Commission
Town Office Building
323 Route 81, Killingworth CT 06419

KCC Minutes for Thursday, July 14 ,2022, 7:00 pm

This was a virtual meeting.

1. Call to order:
2. Attendance: Marilyn Campbell, Maureen Farrell- Charney, Jim Fullmer, Alec Martin, Roslyn Reeps, Guy Vecchitto, Stephanie Warren
3. Visitors: None
- 4.. Approval of minutes of June 9, 2022: Unanimously approved.
- 5.. Communications/Correspondence
 - * General Correspondence Update:
 - Organization Information: CACIWIC, CFPA, Rockfall: Warren noted that the 45th Anniversary Conference of CACIWIC is being planned for the fall of I2022 (specific date not yet announced). CT. Forest and Parks (CFPA) general overview. Warren recommended that the Commission Members review that site information for updates on state parks and forest management.

 - Legislative/Conservation news from CTLCV: Maureen Farrell-Charney: CTLCV is raising awareness about the Dept of Interior/Bureau of Ocean Energy Management's new 5-year plan, which allows for more oil drilling leases, which can lead to spills and pollution in coastal communities. They shared a petition from Oceana:
<https://act.oceana.org/page/106170/petition/1>
6. Reports of Officers, Committees, and Organizations
 - Parmelee Farm: Jim Fullmer: Summer concert series, details available in the Killingworth Krier. Park and Rec concerts are also at Parmelee, on Fridays during the summer
The artisan market has 90 vendors signed up for that September 10 event.
 - Historical Society: Jim Fullmer: The Parmelee Farmhouse will be open on second Sundays of each month; information is available in the Killingworth Krier. Fullmer also noted that a “Scarecrow” contest is being planned, full information on the Historical Society website.

 - LCVRPC: Alec Martin, Stephanie Warren: Warren noted that she sent the Commissions members the final draft of the River Cog. Regional Housing Plan. It is open for review and public comments to be sent directly to the River Cog.

- KCC Education Projects: Stephanie Warren: The "KCC Kids Kontest" materials were placed in the K. Library and a number of youngsters have taken the contest materials for completion. The library's new Youth Program Coordinator did a great set up to display the contest Materials. The contest will run through August 20.
- KLCT: Marilyn Campbell: Campbell reported that the closing for the property adjacent to the Killingworth Congregational. Church and nearby pond is planned for August. The Cranberry Harvest is planned for October.

7. Old Business

- * Update on the Krier "Did You Know?" series.

An article on Textile recycling, written by Guy Vecchitto, will be in the August issue of the Killingworth Krier.

- Recycling Ideas: Farrell-Charney reported that she and R. Reeps have met to review some possible compost recycling programs that might be suitable for Killingworth. "Blue Earth" is one of the programs under review.

- * SustainableCT: Warren noted that a team for the Sustainable CT program is being set up.

Suggested Members will represent:

The KCC -Maureen Farrell-Charney, Roslyn Reeps, Stephanie Warren.

The Killingworth Housing Plan -Tom Hogarty.

The Killingworth Public Works Department - Walt Adametz.

The Killingworth Board of Selectmen, at their July meeting, started a discussion of this program and the type of team/committee it should be.

No decision was reached, and hopefully that will occur during their Board meeting on August 8.

8. New Business

- * "Nips" revenue: The First Selectman, N. Gorski sent information on the NIPS revenue to the KCC and asked for some suggestions on how those funds might be best expended.

"NIPS revenue resulting from CT Public Act 21-58. Our share of the tracked & documented nips sales for the 6-month period Oct through March amounted to \$1,545.40. It appears that we will receive 2 payments a year (April & October) So maybe an annual amount of about \$3,000? The amount is based upon the package store volume in our town. "

Discussion yielded three suggested uses for the “Nips” revenue .

Storm Drain Filters in strategic locations throughout Killingworth

Start-up fund for a food scrapes recycling compost container at the Transfer Station.

Support for a “Clean-up Killingworth “day, in conjunction with the Killingworth Girl Scout troop.

- General Member Announcements: Fullmer noted that several planets (Mars, Jupiter) will Be more visible during mid-July.

9. Adjournment: 7:47 pm.

Next KCC Meeting: Thursday, September 8, 2022, at - 7:00 pm. This will be a virtual meeting.