

**CITY OF TORRINGTON**  
**CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 10, 2009**

1. Call to Order: 6:00pm in Room 206A, 140 Main Street, Torrington, CT.
2. Roll Call & Announcements:
  - a. Roll Call: In attendance was J. Friscia, M. Meyer, L. Beyus, B. Klug & C. Altman
  - b. Introduction to possible new member Lorraine Tipaldi. Everyone shared their reasons for wanting to be involved with the Conservation commission. Also, in attendance was Brian Reardon – an individual interested in what the Commission is doing and has a lot of experience in trees and organic farming. All were welcomed.
3. Minutes for Approval:
  - a. 12/9/08: Motion by C. Altman to APPROVE. 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Meyer Vote passed unanimously
4. Treasurer's Report:
  - a. Report: Conservation Commission account \$1261.81 and the Open Space Fund balance is \$43,984.97. Neither account had any activity
5. Old Business:
  - a. Open Space Plan Update – J. Friscia updated the Commission on the plan progress. Mapping is being completed for all City owned open space and historic properties. Heritage Land Preservation Trust land mapping has been completed.
  - b. America the Beautiful Grant Program Award – Urban Tree Poster Update – The poster has gone through a number of reviews internally and by the State. It will be ready for printing in March.
  - c. CT Open Space Grant - Leoni Property Update – The estate and the City are \$60,000 apart on the price since the State only partially funded the request. Other options are being looked at.
  - d. Discuss Church Street Dam – Ed Fabbri Presentation – on hold. Mr. Fabbri is having difficulty locating a generator that would work in the current circumstances. If one is found he will inform the Commission.
6. New Business:
  - a. 2009 Earth Day Planning – Earth Day clean up is Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>. We need volunteers and need to get the word out. K. Barbieri is working on getting mailers out similar to last year.
  - b. Illegal Dumping Article Discussion – Tabled until March meeting
  - c. CT Conference on Natural Resources – Tabled until March meeting
  - d. Conservation Easements– Tabled until March meeting
  - e. Naugatuck River Informational Meeting – February 18 – Please plan on attending. We will discuss the information presented at the River meeting at our next Conservation Commission meeting – March 10.
  - f. PoCD Meeting February 23 – Please plan on attending
7. Staff Report/Open Discussion:
  - a. New Meeting Location during City Renovation is at 59 Field Street in the Land Use Office area.
8. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn made by L. Beyus. 2<sup>nd</sup> by C. Altman. Vote was unanimous.

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Kimberly H. Barbieri, CZ&WEO  
*Staff to Conservation Commission*