

Killingworth Conservation Commission
Town Office Building
323 Route 81 ☞ Killingworth, Connecticut ☞ 06419-1298
October 13 , 2011
7:35 pm – 8:50 pm Killingworth Town Hall

Attending: Susan Dean, Chair, Marilyn Campbell, Doug Ewers, Lew Scranton,
Peter Richards, Stephanie Warren

Absent: Jim Fullmer

1. Call to order at 7:35 pm
2. Agenda: Amendments and Approval
3. Visitors : none
4. Approval of minutes: May 12, 2011 minutes approved.
5. Communications/Correspondence
 - General review of various brochures received.
 - CACIWIC membership renewal unanimously approved.
 - CT. Forest and Park Association membership renewal unanimously approved.
 - Legislative Information: no updates.
- 6. Reports of officers, committees, and subcommittees.
 - . Parmelee – Doug Ewers: Bids for the foundation for the Schoolhouse are being considered, with hope that it might be completed by late fall. Needed improvements on the farmhouse, and separate rest-room area, are under way.
Pole Barn (the old turkey barn) renovations are being considered.
Invasive plants were removed by Dave Gumbart and local boy scouts.
 - . Land Trust – Peter Richards: Land trust is trying to push conservation easements as a way of protecting and conserving open space areas in Killingworth.

An Awareness Program is also being initiated by the Land Trust, to inform residents of open space areas and benefits.

. CRERPA – Stephanie Warren: CRERPA is in process of merging into the larger regional association. This will require a move, and various Commercial rentals are being considered (one is in Deep River).

. Historical Society – Lew Scranton: A civil war program is planned for October 20, at the Killingworth Fire House.

- GIS Website – Peter Richards – no changes in the GIS website at this time.
- Other Reports: Susan Dean:

8. Old Business

- KCC Website update- town website is not yet ready for use.
- Killingworth Today, KCC information has been updated.
- RSD #17 and Superintendent: Susan Dean: the new superintendent H. Thiery, is supportive of various conservation issues.

Report: S. Dean attended an Invasive plants-Session Woods Conference, on June 1. Concerns continue about Stilt Grass invading the Killingworth area.

- Educational outreach -Stephanie Warren: attended a program on the Asian Longhorned Beetle, presented by the DEP at the Killingworth Library. Warren recommends setting up an informational area in the Library, and also contacting the DEP to see if a program can be set up for the middle school.

. Other: the commission agreed to provide a plaque for the Pat Smulders Memorial Garden.

9. New Business

Dean presented a suggested list of activities/projects for the KCC.

Discussion revolved around the various possible projects.

- Adjournment : 9:08 pm

Next KCC Meeting: November 10, 2011, 7:00 pm, Killingworth Town Hall

Respectfully submitted by:

Stephanie Warren, KCC Secretary