

*Conservation Commission*  
*Sherman, Connecticut*



October 10, 2012

The Conservation Commission Meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM on October 10, 2012.

Present: Linda Yannone, Chairman, Pat Bailey, Geoff Gwyther, Colette Shulman,  
Joanna Wozniak, Helen Bray, Clerk

*APPROVAL OF MINUTES*

No minutes were approved.

In the minutes dated September 12, 2012, under the heading *Plan of Conservation & Development*, Colette objected to the comment about the word "development" that she supposedly made at the POCD meeting, saying that it was not accurate and suggested names not be used in the context of the minutes, just unidentified statements. Colette also wants the minutes to be sent to her to review before the minutes are sent out. Colette was concerned about people being misquoted, but commissioners have rarely complained and their quote can be corrected at the following meeting.

*PLAN OF CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT*

Several commissioners attended the Planning & Zoning Public Hearing for the POCD. There were about twenty people in attendance and the Board of Selectmen. Several P & Z commissioners were absent. Several people spoke up on different issues. The one single thing that everyone agreed upon was keeping Sherman rural.

A memo was distributed to the commissioners listing several sections and items and making corrections or suggestions in the POCD draft. Linda was asked to submit a letter on farming to the P & Z. Also, a letter should be written to the P & Z with the CC comments. A brief overview of the comments made at the public hearing was given to the commissioners. The commission should send their comments to Linda and a letter of disapproval should be drafted and approved before submitting to P & Z.

It was felt that the CC should have been more involved from the beginning and the letter should suggest more involvement of the CC starting now. The commission would like to have the Microsoft Word draft that was used for this publication in order to make revisions easier. The CC does not know if the public hearing was closed but P & Z did say that they would accept letters.

Another letter will be written to P & Z asking if the CC has enough time for input into the POCD.

### MUNCH MEADOW

Clay Cope would like to walk Munch Meadow with Geoff before making any decisions. Half an application has been filled out for Wetlands since work will be done in or near the wetlands on the lot. After Clay walks Munch Meadow it will go before the Board of Selectmen. It is hoped that volunteers will help, also the town. An article will be placed in the *Citizen News* titled *Gateway to Sherman*.

### SCHOOL GARDEN

The school is now cooperating and agreed to install a chain link fence around the garden and are looking for estimates. Also plastic bedding that was used in Munch Meadow.

There being no further business Joanna made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Pat and so moved. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

**THE NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING IS ON NOVEMBER 14, 2012**

Respectfully submitted,

  
Helen Bray, Clerk  
Conservation Commissioner