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**Minutes of Meeting
Warwick Wildlife and Conservation Commission
October 20, 2016**

Chair Anne Holst called the meeting of the Warwick Wildlife and Conservation Commission to order at 7:10PM. Members in attendance were Wayne Cabral, Carl Bergden, Mike Clark, Henry Brown and Sue Kennedy and Sue Cabeceiras from the Planning.

A motion to accept the minutes of the September 2016 meeting was made by Henry, seconded by Carl and unanimously approved.

Mike proposed some changes to the letter from the Commission to the Sewer Authority, Sue C. made the changes and the letter will be sent out.

Carl was at Barton Farm during some event around Columbus Day and said there were parking issues at the West Bay Community Farm. He asked Sue C. to find out if this was a onetime event or a common problem, and if it is common, what they are proposing to alleviate the problem. Wayne reported that Kathy Scofield told him that the trails were overgrown at Barton and that she was going to get a group to clear the vegetation.

Wayne reported that he went to Chepiwanoxet and it looks good. He will go out soon and do a little cleaning up and widening the paths. Neil Ross of the Chepiwanoxet Neighborhood Association told Anne he wanted to meet with the joint committee, but no meeting has been set up yet.

Sue K. contacted DEM to find out if there was a possibility of getting an open space grant to purchase the Met Life Pond adjacent to Dawley. Sue C. contacted DEM providing more information and was told this may not be eligible for a DEM grant property, but possibly the Bafflin Foundation or Champlain Foundation would provide a grant. Sue K. will look into these options.

The Blueways maps were discussed. Sue C. was asked to find out how Bristol was able to print and add to the ExploreRI website. A question was raised about using the google maps on a publish document and the legalities of this. Sue C. was asked to check with the solicitor on this issue. The Commission discussed using its budget if necessary to hire somebody to finalize the blueways maps.

The bird house project was discussed and a motion was made by Mike to continue working with kids/scouts to build and install bird houses. This motion was seconded by Wayne and unanimously approved. Sue C. was asked to talk to Ray about continuing this project.

Wayne reported that remade the plaque at the Greenwood School that had disintegrated. Anne offered Clouds Hill Victorian Museum as a meeting place for the Commission's December meeting.

The Commissioners are looking for another project, and a tree identification project with signage for Rocky Point was discussed. Sue C. was asked to check with Dan Geagan in Planning to see if this is something that the Commission can work on next.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM by motion from Wayne seconded by Mike and unanimously approved by the Commissioners.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Cabeceiras, Planning Dept.