

Minutes of Meeting
Warwick Wildlife and Conservation Commission
April 21, 2016

Chair Anne Holst called the meeting of the Warwick Wildlife and Conservation Commission to order at 7:05PM. Members in attendance were Wayne Cabral, Ray Meunier, Carl Bergden, Mike Clark and Henry Brown and Sue Cabeceiras from the Planning Department and prospective Commissioner Jennifer Ryan. Greg and Nathaniel Snow were also in attendance.

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

Sue had placed 6 birdhouses donated to the Commission by Jake, a retired man who makes bird houses for fun, on the Planning Department table. Anne asked that Sue send this gentleman a thank you from the Commission.

Greg Snow and his son Eagle Scout Nathaniel Snow along with their scout troop and a few parents installed 9 bird houses in Chepiwanoxet Point. Ray thanked him for this work on behalf of the Commission. After reading the Warwick Beacon article about Nathaniel's Eagle Scout project, Jake, the retired bird house maker, had asked that Nathaniel work with the Commission to install his birdhouses. Jake lives near Salters Grove and Ray asked if Nathaniel would work with him to install the birdhouses, Nathaniel agreed.

Anne has the contact information for the Metropolitan Insurance property at Plat 227 lot 4, and has the pond on it adjacent to the Jesse P. Dawley Memorial Woodland. Martha Cruciani obtained the information and gave it to Anne. Amy Tang is the contact and she is in Chicago. Sue was asked to draft a letter asking the pond be donated to the City.

The Planning Department has submitted an as built plan for the trail at Barton Farm.

Wayne reported that he had been to Chepiwanoxet Point and there were a few trees over the path. He will bring his chain saw and remove these trees and will weed whack the parking lot. He also told the Commission that there was a box installed to collect fishing line.

Wayne expects to have the Blueways paddle maps finalized next week and sent to Sue for Planning Department review.

Arbor Day Tree planting was discussed for Norwood Elementary to be held April 28th at noon. Henry has secured a tree from Yard Works. It was suggested that the daughter of the woman to whom the tree is dedicated, and who attends the school, throw the second shovel full of dirt, after the Mayor.

Wayne explained that the Warwick Sewer Authority The Commissioners discussed inviting the Sewer Authority Director to a future meeting, but Sue was asked to discuss this matter with Bill DePasquale first.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM by motion from Mike seconded by Carl and unanimously approved by the Commissioners.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Cabeceiras, Planning Dept.