

### Town of Cromwell Conservation Commission

# REGULAR MEETING 7:00 P.M. THURSDAY MAY 11, 2023 COUNCIL CHAMBERS CROMWELL TOWN HALL 41 WEST STREET

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call and Seating of Alternates
- 3. Approval of Agenda
- 4. Town Planner Report:
- 5. Old Business:
- 6. New Business:
  - a. Sustainable Connecticut
  - b. Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD) Update
- 7. Farmland Preservation Committee:
- 8. Communications:
- 9. Commissioners' Comments
- 10. Public Comments
- 11. Approval of Minutes:
  - a. November 10, 2023
- 12. Adjourn

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#### Popper, Stuart

From:

Lynn Stoddard <lynns@sustainablect.org>

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To: Subject: Lynn Stoddard

Attachments:

Sustainable CT Support 2023 Community Match Fund flyer.pdf

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Hello Sustainable CT communities,

I hope you are enjoying the start of Spring. Here are some exciting opportunities for no-cost support for your towns.

- Equity coaches Please take advantage of our equity coaching support services (no cost to your town). Coaches are a fabulous resource and can help you with Sustainable CT's equity requirements and more. They can also help you build strong connections with underrepresented community members to shape project proposals for state and federal grant funding, meeting equity and Justice 40 goals. Contact us to be connected with a coach or if you have questions: jessical@sustainablect.org, Jess LeClair 860-259-4767
- <u>Community Match Fund</u> Sustainable CT supports community-led sustainability projects with a dollar-for-dollar match on crowdfunding donations. Projects may be led by town staff, individual residents, or community-based organizations (501c3 status is NOT required). And this summer (now through mid-August) we are offering a \$1.50 match for every crowdfunding dollar raised for food waste diversion/composting projects. If you are squeamish about town staff leading a crowdfunding project, let's talk and help you find a partner to take the lead on crowdfunding. We are offering a Give us a call: funding@sustainablect.org, Joseph Dickerson 860-259-4730.
- May 13 Community Leadership and Action Conference Speaking of our Community Match Fund, please join us (and spread the word to your community) in Middletown on May 13 to learn about fast, easy, flexible funding through our Community Match Fund and be inspired by successful project leaders. May 13 Community Leadership and Action Conference information and registration, Joseph Dickerson 860-259-4730.
- May 19 Coffee Hour (virtual) Support in Winning Federal Grants We've had discussions with many
  funders and partners about what support municipalities need to access the unprecedented
  opportunities for federal funding to build municipal infrastructure, climate solutions, and more. All are
  eager to help. Please join us on May 19 at 10:00 to TELL US WHAT YOU NEED and to learn about
  existing no-cost support for winning federal grants from Sustainable CT and partners. May 19 coffee
  hour information and registration.
- <u>June 1 Sustainable CT Spring into Summer Celebration</u> Please join us for this free and fun event at the Glastonbury Boathouse. Connect and chat with your peers from towns throughout Connecticut and meet our team, Board of Directors, equity coaches, and our 2023 summer Fellows. June 1 celebration information and registration.
- **2023 Fellows are starting soon** Our smart, passionate, and eager-to-get-started 2023 Fellows will begin their summer work with Sustainable CT and the Councils of Governments in June. Come meet the Fellows in person at our June 1<sup>st</sup> Spring into Summer Celebration. If you'd like support from a

Fellow on your sustainability projects (including preparing your application for certification), contact Jess at jessical@sustainablect.org. Fellows will also be reaching out to your Sustainability Team leaders in early June, so be on the lookout for an email!

Please let us know how else we can support you and your good work.

In partnership, Lynn

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### Town of Cromwell Conservation Commission

# REGULAR MEETING 10 7:00 PM THURSDAY NOVEMBER'S, 2022 COUNCIL CHAMBERS CROMWELL TOWN HALL 41 WEST STREET

#### **Meeting Minutes**

**Present:** Chairman Scott Lamberson, Vice Chairman John Whitney, Joe Corlis, Joe Cap, Stacey Dabrowski, Jamin DeProto and Faye Tine

Absent: None

Also, Present: Director of Planning and Development Stuart Popper

#### 1. Call to Order

Chairman Scott Lamberson called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

#### 2. Roll Call and Seating of Alternates

The presence of the above members was noted.

#### 3. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Popper asked the commission to amend the agenda to include the approval of the 2023 meeting calendar. Joe Corlis made a motion to approve the amended agenda; Seconded by Joe Cap. *All in favor, motion passed*.

#### 4. Town Planner Report:

Mr. Popper said we have hired SLR Consulting out of Cheshire to update the Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD). He explained that they have started working on the POCD update and the first effort is a town wide survey. Mr. Popper explained that the survey is available online on the town web site and in hard copies from his office. He said the update will take about a year and in the early spring we will be holding a series of public meetings to gain input from town residents.

Mr. Popper said the Conservation Commission is the body charged with working on the open space plan component of the POCD. He explained that SLR will be presenting the Open Space component to the commission once it is updated for their review and consideration. The commission members and Mr. Popper discussed the POCD update process.

#### 5. Old Business:

Mr. Popper said the Conservation Commission is the designated Sustainable Connecticut program liaison for the Town of Cromwell. He said we plan on working on that program this year.

#### 6. New Business:

a. Approval of the 2023 Meeting Calendar

The commission members discussed the meeting dates. Joe Corlis made a motion to approve the 2023 Meeting Calendar; Seconded by John Whitney. *All in favor, motion passed.* 

#### 7. Farmland Preservation Committee:

Mr. Popper asked John Whitney if there are any farm aid type programs that we should be aware. John Whitney said he has not seen anything new.

#### 8. Communications:

None

#### 9. Commissioner's Comments:

There were no comments.

#### 10. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

#### 11. Approval of Minutes:

a. February 10, 2022

Joe Corlis made a motion to approve the minutes of February 10, 2022; Seconded by John Whitney. Joe Cap and Scott Lamberson abstained due to absence. *All in favor, motion passed*.

#### 12. Adjourn:

Joe Corlis made a motion to adjourn at 7:33 PM; Seconded by John Whitney. *All in favor, motion passed.* 

Respectfully submitted,

Stuart B. Popper

Temporary Recording Clerk