

**Conservation Commission**  
**Town of Willington**

**MINUTES**

**SPECIAL MEETING - SITE WALKS**

**Tuesday, November 28, 2023 at 9:00 am**

**CC Members in Attendance:** Jackie Kulig, Patty Phillips and Kathy Demers

**I. Review Conservation Easement Area located on private property of Willford Farms, LLC (Map 21 / Lot 22-00)**

Conservation Commission members met with Austin Harmon, licensed forester from Hull Forest Products to view the proposed timber harvest area on the conservation easement (CE) area of the Willford Farms property as well as the woods road access on town open space property off Meadow Lane. During the walk, Mr. Harmon outlined forestry actions he could prescribe to conduct a forest thinning as allowed by the CE agreement that would promote shade intermediate and shade tolerant species, protect the wetlands, vernal pool, and stream crossing, and improve the wood's road access that runs through Town open space property off Meadow Lane. He stated he would prepare a written narrative and map that described Hull's proposed timber harvest plan on the CE, so that the commission could review and prepare recommendations to IWWC, PZC and the BOS. Member Patty Phillips left the meeting at the conclusion of the easement site walk.

**II. Monitoring Visit of two Town-owned Open Space parcels off Meadow Lane (Map 16 / Lot 35 ) and ( Map 16 / Lot 39 )**

WCC Members Jackie Kulig and Kathy Demers walked the approximate boundaries of the two open space parcels (10.01 acres / 6.31 acres) off Meadow Lane to try to observe ecological features and look for any signs of boundary encroachment. Boundary lines boarding several house lots off Meadow Lane were difficult to determine since no markers or pins were found. An old wooden compost bin was found in the vicinity of the approximate border between one house lot (Map 16/Lot 38) and the town's property, but encroachment was indeterminate since the exact boundary line could not be determined. The monitoring visit will be discussed at the next WCC meeting.

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*Minutes respectfully submitted by Kathy Demers, Chairman and secretary pro tem*