



*TOWN OF BRISTOL*  
**CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

*Department of Community Development  
Court Street, Bristol, Rhode Island*

*Monday, July 11, 2016 @ 5:30pm*

**July 2016 MEETING MINUTES**

*Members Present:*

Anthony Morettini, Chair  
Raul Abreu  
Alison Ring  
Lindsay Green  
Craig Fisher  
Jay Maciel  
Ray Payson

*Staff Present:*

Ed Tanner

*The meeting was called to order by Chairman Morettini at 5:30 pm.*

1. Minutes: Motion to approve July minutes by Mr. Payson, seconded by Mr. Fisher. Vote: 7-0.
2. Perry Farm – Mr. Morettini and Mr. Tanner scheduled walk with KC Ferreira from RWU next Monday at 1pm to review volunteer activities for August 29<sup>th</sup> with students. They have also been working with Lauren Parmalee of the Audubon. Audubon cleared paths for their camps. Mr. Payson suggested we apply for available trail grants. Temporary walkways could be an option to make wet areas along the trails more passable and would not require DEM permitting.
3. Tree Plantings – Mr. Payson announced that, following a delay, 21 trees will be planted July 12 and 13.
4. Tree Warden – The Town has hired a new Tree Warden. It was suggested that we invite him to an upcoming meeting.
5. Cigarette “Buttlers” – Mr. Tanner said, following a walk Downtown, ten locations were selected for the “buttlers.” Bristol DPW will install. Mr. Tanner said there will be a press release.
6. Tree Stapling – Mr. Morettini had a meeting with DPW Director McBride to discuss ongoing stapling of signs on town trees.
7. Plan Review – BCC members reviewed plans for proposed Dunkin Donuts near intersection of Hope and Gooding. Major concerns related to traffic, flow of traffic through plaza and resulting safety concerns, aesthetics and drainage.
8. Tree Inventory – Mr. Fisher and Mr. Morettini met with Steven White of RWU to discuss tree mapping program. They have decided to utilize either Rhody Tree or itree for online platform. Public can have access to application and editing capability. Steven White will put together team to spearhead initial phase of tree mapping effort for Bristol. The program focus is on inventorying trees in public space. There was also some discussion of the possibility of entire town being designated as an arboretum. Accreditation information is available on arbnet.org.
9. Announcements - Mr. Payson announced upcoming EcoDepot event to be held on July 23. He also mentioned the large number of gypsy moths present in the area.
10. *Upcoming schedule: August no meeting, next meeting September 12<sup>th</sup>.*

*Motion to adjourn Mr. Morettini, seconded by Mr. Fisher.*

*Respectfully Submitted:*

*Alison Ring*