1. CALL TO ORDER:
Amanda Hill called the meeting to order at 5:00PM.

2. ROLL CALL:
The following individuals were present: Amanda Hill, Renata Waldron, John Wiada, Jen Perga, Willard Platt. Additionally, staff member Lance Hanson was present. Leanne Marvin absent.

3. BEAR TALK:
A date of March 9, 7pm was chosen. The Conservation Commission (CC) members will come to Town Hall at 6:30pm to set up, instead of 5pm. Mr. Hansen will confirm the date works with Paul Rego, retired DEEP Wildlife Biologist. The CC will confirm the technology works and that the presentation can be broadcast to people at home. The CC will publicize the event with help from Alan Nero, Terry Hall, Candace Bouchard at FOMs and local newspapers.

4. AGENDA ALERT:
People are not receiving the CC agenda via email alerts. Mr. Hansen will enquire about the procedure for resetting the alerts.

5. POLLINATOR PLANT TALK:
Ms. Perga suggested that groups in town might work together to sponsor a talk about Pollinator Gardens, Native Plants and Buffer Gardens. She will contact Karen Bussolini, a professional speaker from Kent to find her availability and cost. A possible date might be in late March, where attendees could receive the order forms for the Northwest Conservation District native plant sale.

6. BUDGET FOR CC:
Mr. Platt wondered if the CC has a budget, or could have a budget. Perhaps to cover supplies needed for clean-ups or to help sponsor educational events like the Pollinator Talk. Mr. Hansen will investigate.

7. COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE:
Mrs. Waldron asked if Conservation is a Committee or Commission. If the CC makes non-binding recommendations, is it actually a committee?

8. TATRO’S POND:
Mr. Hansen reported that he is meeting with people who are interested in making the land around Tatro’s Pond into a usable park with walking trails and possibly a pavilion in the future. The parcel now consists of 14 acres. The group might incorporate as “Friends of Tatro’s Pond”. There could be a possibility of connecting trails to the Gilbert Trust land.

9. SUSTAINABLE CT:
Mr. Platt asked if the CC is still working on Sustainable CT. Mr. Hansen said that Ted Schaefer is very interested. Ms. Waldron suggested that we use the new audiovisual equipment and a laptop to work together
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each meeting for 15 minutes and slowly gather evidence (perhaps in a Google Doc) to document accomplishments. Others agreed with her idea.

10. ADJOURN:
MOTION: Mr. Platt, Mr. Wiarda second, to adjourn at 5:45PM; unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Perga