Hampton Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes November 28, 2017

Meeting called to order at 7:04 PM by Chairman Randy Thompson.

Present: Bob Johnson, Stanley Crawford, Randy Thompson, Everett Hyde, Marcia

Kilpatrick

Absent: Penny Newbury

Stan. Crawford seated for Penny Newbury

Audience for Citizens:

Rob Miller and Annie Withey came with a map of some properties that they own and were asking for advice as how to protect them into perpetuity as farm land. The Farm Land Trust was suggested as a way to do this protection. They would like to start this process.

Sue Hochstetter asked for a meeting to help a number of families whom would like to protect their land for open space. It was suggested that Sue check with Warren Church, Joshua's' Trust Acquisition Chairman to set up a date for such a discussion.

A report was given by Marcia Kilpatrick on the conference she attended on pollinators at UCONN. Thoughts were to work with the school on this subject. A plan to plant a pollinator garden behind the town hall was discussed. Marcia will check with Allan Cahill as to the use of part of the field.

WCCC meeting to be held November 29, 2017 at 7:00 PM at the Brooklyn Extension Office. The program is Open Space Funding Sources by And Rzeznikiewicz and Susan Allen who have been able to raise large sums of money for open space.

Marcia Kilpatrick reported that the CT Audubon is going to log Trail Wood this winter. Marcia is in contact with Sarah Heminway on this project. John Valenti from Wetland Commission should be contacted with regards to this logging project. Stanley will have John call Marcia.

Bob Johnson suggested a Walk Series for 2018 with 6 walks. The first walk is the first Saturday in March. Bob will plan these walks and update the walk brochure. The current ones have been depleted.

Randy passed out the dates for the HCC meeting in 2018. The meetings are usually the 4th Tuesday of each month at the Town Hall at 7:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM

Marcia Kilpatrick HCC Secretary