Conservation Commission
TOWN OF SEYMOUR
Town Hall
1 First Street
Seymour, Connecticut 06483

Seymour Conservation Commission/Aquifer Protection Agency
Thursday, March 6, 2014
Regular Meeting Minutes

Commission Members Present: Peter Jezierny, Chairman, John Hatfield, Robert Enquist, Jr., Steve Kulas
Commission Members Absent: Al Cocchia
Others Present: Nafis & Young Representative Eric Swift. Don Smith and Trish Danka representing Town Strategic Plan Committee.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 6:30 P.M.
Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Motion to accept the minutes of the December 5, 2013 meeting by Mr. Kulas; Second by Mr. Hatfield
Motion Passed with all in Favor.

Strategic Plan Update
Don Smith & Trish Danka approached the commission to invite input for the Town, they are developing a living document looking for 5-10 year projects to be used as a tool for budgets.
Discussion occurred on the ideas of Open Space Parks vs. Recreation Parks.
Objectives over the next couple of years,
1. Acquisition of Strategic Open Space Parcels
2. Responsible Trustees of the Open Space Fund Account.

Looking to have the Conservation Commission to:
Create an Open Space Inventory, Identify “Stewards” for the Open Space Parks, Classification of various open space parcels, and update an open space inventory. Possible issues include staffing and rationale.
The draft report will be presented to Strategic Planning Committee by May, looking to communicate with more representatives of Strategic Planning Committee during the June meeting.

Update on Town Owned Properties/Open Space
Robert to look at getting Open Space Inventory Started
- Seymour GIS.com
- Open Space Inventory Mapping
- Commission to create open space criteria and classification system.
Task List for Next Meeting
Open Space Park development at Great Hill Reservoir.
Updates to Forest Management Plan
Access to Lake Housatonic
Increase town commitment to fund open space acquisition
Increase public awareness of Town Open Space Parks.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was presented by Mr. Kulas; Second by Mr. Hatfield at 8:00.
The next meeting will take place on Thursday, April 3, 2014

Respectfully Submitted by: Jay Hatfield, Recording Secretary