

Town of Simsbury

933 HOPMEADOW STREET

SIMSBURY, CONNECTICUT 06070

Work Group Reviewing an Ordinance to Prohibit the Public from Intentional Feeding of Wildlife

Friday, November 8, 2019 Main Meeting Room, Town Hall, 933 Hopmeadow Street

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES – ADOPTED

Members Present: Sean Askham, Chris Peterson, Gary Wilcox

Staff Present: Maria Capriola, Chief Boulter

The meeting was called to order at 8:00am

1) Review of Sample Ordinances from Other Communities

Components to the sample ordinances were discussed such as: enforcement; education; fines; unintentional feeding v. intentional feeding. State-wide legislation from neighboring states was discussed. Secure v. non-secure trash receptacles was discussed.

2) Next Steps and Meeting Date

Staff will prepare a draft ordinance for the group to review. Ordinance should focus on intentional feeding of wildlife, particularly feeding that is causing a public safety or public health concern. Town to investigate required use of bear proof refuse receptacles for residential customers by authorized trash haulers. Next meeting date December 6, 2019 at 8am.

The meeting adjourned at 9:08am.

Respectfully Submitted, Maria Capriola Town Manager Town of Simsbury