

1 **PLANNING COMMISSION & CONSERVATION COMMISSION/INLAND**
2 **WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES AGENCY**

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4 **JOINT MEETING October 11, 2022, 7:00 P.M. HELD FSPL ROOM SIMSBURY**
5 **PUBLIC LIBRARY**

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7 **I. CALL TO ORDER**

8 Chairman Winters called the Conservation Commission/Inland Wetlands and Watercourses
9 meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

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11 **II. ROLL CALL**

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13 **Present:** Assistant Town Planner, Savannah-Nicole Villalba; Jason Berman, Joseph Campolieta,
14 Jason Levy, Margery Winters

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16 **Absent:** Andrew Bade, Donald Eaton, Charles Haldeman

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18 **III. JOINT PLANNING COMMISSION AND INLAND WETLANDS AND**
19 **WATERCOURSES AGENCY/CONSERVATION COMMISSION BUSINESS**

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21 **I. Planning Commission and Conservation Commission / Inland Wetlands and**
22 **Watercourses Agency Statutory Purview Overview**

- 23 i. Ms. Villalba provided an overview of the Planning Commission, Conservation
24 Commission and Inlands/Wetlands and Watercourses Agency roles and
25 responsibilities.
26 ii. The Town of Simsbury elected to have the Conservation Commission and the
27 Inlands/Wetlands and Watercourses Agency as one entity.

28 **II. Planning Commission Update**

- 29 i. PA 490 issue around open space land is an item that the Planning Commission
30 identified as a priority. Notices were sent to property owners about regulations
31 around open space designations. If applicable, property owners were
32 encouraged to apply for open space designation or forestry designation.
33 ii. On-going maintenance and updates of POCD identified as a Planning
34 Commission priority.
35 iii. Planning Commission will implement a checklist to ensure the Commission is
36 acting and executing on identified action items.

37 **III. Conservation Commission / Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency Update**

- 38 i. Commission would like to dedicate more attention to conservation role,
39 including forestry stewardship and field management as well as the public
40 education about property maintenance and its impact on our wild areas.

41 **IV. PC & CC-IWWA Collaborative POCD Strategies**

- 42 i. Ms. Villalba provided an overview of the strategies that are shared by the two
43 commissions.
44 i. 5.2.A.1: Lead – Conservation Commission / Partners – Zoning
45 Commission and Planning Commission

- 46 ii. 5.2.A.2: Lead – Conservation Commission / Partners – Zoning
47 Commission and Planning Commission
48 iii. 5.2.C.1: Lead – Town / Partners – Conservation Commission, Zoning
49 Commission and Planning Commission
50 iv. 5.4.A.1: Lead – Town / Partners – Conservation Commission, Zoning
51 Commission and Planning Commission
52 v. 5.4.A.2: Lead – Town / Partners – Conservation Commission, Zoning
53 Commission and Planning Commission
54 vi. 5.4.C.1 – Lead – Town; Input from both Commissions could be
55 relevant
56 vii. 5.4.C.2 – Lead – Town; Input from both Commissions could be
57 relevant

58 **V. Prioritization of Collaborative Strategies**

- 59 i. Members of each commission took a few moments to document prioritization
60 of Commission goals and add/edit goals. Documentation was provided to Ms.
61 Villalba.

62 **VI. Next Steps**

- 63 i. All strategies/goals identified will be summarized and included on
64 implementation matrix.

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66 **IV. ADJOURNMENT**

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68 **Motion:** Without objection, Chairman Winters made a motion to adjourn.

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70 All in favor, no opposed, no abstentions. (4-0-0)

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72 The meeting adjourned at 7:43 P.M.

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75 Respectfully Submitted,

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77 Cara Blackaby

78 Commission Clerk

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