

**MINUTES OF MEETING
ENVIRONMENT & CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
March 20, 2023**

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A meeting of the Environment & Conservation Committee was held on Monday, March 20, 2023. This was a hybrid meeting held both in person and electronically via Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 7:59 P.M. by the Chair, Laurie Sweet.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Laurie Sweet, Chair; Paula Irvin, Vice-Chair; Ted Stevens; Abdul Osmanu; Cory O'Brien; Lesley DeNardis; Bob Anthony

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

PUBLIC INPUT: There was 1 speaker

The following items were addressed:

- 1. Reappointment of Brendan Smith to the Energy Use & Climate Change Commission for a term to expire July 31, 2025 (D-5)**
-- Moved by Ms. Sweet, seconded by Mr. Osmanu and approved unanimously.
- 2. Reappointment of Bill Horowitz to the Farmington Canal for a term to expire December 31, 2025 (U-7)**
-- Moved by Ms. Kiely, seconded by Mr. Stevens and approved unanimously.
- 3. Reappointment of Richard G. Bell to the Natural Resources & Open Space Commission for a term to expire February 1, 2025 (R-7)**
-- Moved by Mr. Stevens, seconded by Mr. Anthony and approved unanimously.

4. Order authorizing the Town of Hamden to accept donations of a granite monument and trees at Town Center Park

-- Moved by Ms. Sweet, seconded by Mr. Osmanu. DISCUSSION: Mr. Stevens asked if The Garden of Hope was located in Town Center Park. Chief of Staff Mr. Grace said it is adjacent to the playground. Mr. Stevens asked if fruit trees are difficult to maintain. Mr. Grace said he's not aware that they'll cause problems and thinks Public Works will have it under control.

Mr. Farmer asked when they will be put in. Mr. Grace said the timeline is the spring, so soon.

A vote was taken and the item passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:07 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Renta, Clerk
for Laurie Sweet