

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
TOWN OF WEST GREENWICH
280 VICTORY HIGHWAY
Thursday, January 8, 2015, 7:00 pm

REQUESTS FOR ADVISORY OPINIONS - none!

MINUTES AND CORRESPONDENCE

TREASURER'S REPORT

OTHER REPORTS

BUSINESS

1. Stubblebrook Road residential development in the vicinity of the W. Alton Jones Campus... Question: does the WGCC have the need or the resources to review such new developments, whether they be residential, commercial or industrial? What would be the purpose of such apparently environmental-irrelevant reviews? Does it make sense to be routinely alerted to the prospect/pipeline of proposed new developments? - A longstanding question: should the Conservation Commission be an integral part of the town's review process, or simply deal with potential environmental problems when asked by another town board to do so? What constitutes "environmental relevance"?
2. March Land, Water and Conservation 2015 Summit: main themes and workshop topics this year
3. Additions to the WGCC web pages: what does it mean to be a conservation commissioner today? Do we have any idea as to whether anyone looks at these pages? - What might make them more attractive or useful to residents?
4. Town of West Greenwich plans for 275th anniversary - a WGCC time capsule contest?
5. EPA's recent doings; the Environmental Defense Fund's layout of ten distinct downsides of Global Warming / Climate Change phenomena
6. Drought conditions in south-central RI seem to have abated.
7. Preliminary thoughts on a work plan for 2015...

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