

**Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
April 9, 2013**

The Conservation Commission held a meeting on April 9, 2013 in the Lakeville Public Library Conference Room. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Orrall at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Robert Bouchard, Joseph Chamberlain, Linda Grubb, Emery Orrall, Pam Rasa, Martha Schroeder and Ryan Trahan. Sarah Kulakovich, associate member; Nancy Yeatts, Conservation Agent; and Jennifer Jewell, recording secretary were also present.

7:00 p.m. – 14 Cross Street

Bradbury

This hearing was continued from 2012. It was decided to review the site again during the first growing season. Upon motion made by Member Rasa and seconded by Member Schroeder the Commission

VOTED: To continue the hearing to May 14, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. Unanimous vote.

Meeting Minutes

There was a review of the minutes from the January 8, 2013 meeting. Upon motion made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Trahan the Commission

VOTED: To approve the January 8, 2013 minutes as amended. Six in favor. Member Rasa abstained. Motion carried.

7:09 p.m. – 119 Hackett Avenue

Washington – Lakeville, LLC

Jamie Bissonnette presented a deed restriction to the Commission. The restriction was reviewed. It was decided that the term "Any dead, diseased or exotic invasive vegetation..." would be added to the document. Upon motion made by Member Schroeder and seconded by Member Rasa the Commission

VOTED: To accept the Declaration of Restrictions as amended and require proof of recording with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds. Unanimous vote.

Vigers Stewardship Plan

The Vigers Stewardship Plan was presented to the Commission by Associate Member Kulakovich and Member Grubb. The Commission reviewed the plan. It was stated that all site work will be done by volunteers at no cost to the town. There was a review of the current conditions of the roadways and stone walls. It was suggested that the Building Inspector verify whether the Boy Scout house should be removed for safety reasons. If possible the foundation could remain in place and serve as the location for a future pavilion. It was stated that some residents are hesitant to access the property due to a 'bow-hunting only' sign. It was stated that this is in effect during bow-hunting season only.

The property will be identified as being owned and operated by the Town of Lakeville. The educational facets of the stewardship plan were reviewed. Recreational camping and a forestry study program may be offered in the future. It was noted that the following are priorities for developing the park: establishing and marking the boundaries, verifying the safety of the Boy Scout house, signage for the roadway/crossing. Member Grubb mentioned that a permitting process should be in place for overnight camping and other events. The current target audience will be families with young children as the park is currently available for picnics and limited use. Member Chamberlain voiced concern regarding parking and roadway crossing. Ms. Yeatts will speak with Chris Peck, Superintendent of Streets and Dan Hopkins, Fire Chief about the Boy Scout house. Upon motion made by Member Grubb and seconded by Member Rasa the Commission

VOTED: To approve and support the draft Vigers Stewardship Plan. Unanimous vote.

Library Update

It was decided that a plan for the future of the Diana Slocombe library should be discussed and implemented.

Proposed WPA Regulation Changes

Members Chamberlain and Grubb attended an informational meeting at DEP regarding the regulatory changes. It was noted that these changes are an attempt by DEP to simplify the review process. Hard copies of the meeting handouts will be left in the Commissioner's mailboxes.

Wetland Plant Identification Class

Ms. Yeatts will attend a Wetland Plant Identification Class sponsored by MACC. Upon motion made by Member Schroeder and seconded by Member Chamberlain the Commission

VOTED: To approve the \$95.00 registration fee for the Wetland Plant Identification Class. Unanimous vote.

Local Wetlands By-Law

Member Trahan requested that all comments be emailed by April 16th. A draft version of the by-law and comments will be available for review at the May 14th Conservation Commission meeting. There was discussion regarding an informational session for the general public. It was suggested that a Commissioner could contact the Middleboro Gazette to prepare a press release.

36 Central Avenue

Walsh

Upon motion made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Trahan the Commission

VOTED: To continue the hearing to April 23, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. Unanimous vote.

Tamarack Park & Litter Lifters

The meadow has been mowed by Member Chamberlain. It was noted that currently, there is no trash barrel in the park. Member Schroeder stated that Kathy Nash's third grade class at Assawompsett School will be donating shrubs to the park.

Member Schroeder reviewed a recent Litter Lifters event and discussed how to increase participation. A possible location for a future clean-up (skate park) was mentioned.

Satucket Trail – Lot D

Upon motion made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Rasa the Commission

VOTED: To issue a letter for a closing on Lot D, informally releasing it from the subdivision Order of Conditions. Unanimous vote.

Upcoming Meeting

The next meeting of the Lakeville Conservation Commission will be held on Tuesday, April 23, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Office Building Conference Room. Upon motion made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Rasa the Commission

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m. Unanimous vote.