

**Town of Foxborough  
Conservation Commission Minutes  
January 28, 2013**

**Members Present:** Robert Boette (Chair), Allan Curtis (Vice Chair), Eric Nelson (Clerk), Judith Johnson, and Valerie Marshall

**Members Absent:** Douglas Davis, James Marsh

**Staff Present:** Jane Sears Pierce, Conservation Manager, and Lee Ann Tavares, Secretary

**Others Present:** See attached sign-in sheet

**Meeting Opened**

Bob Boette opened the meeting, held in the Andrew A. Gala Jr. Meeting Room, at 7:00 p.m.

**Continued NOI, 207-209 Oak Street DEP #157-507**

DEP number has not been received due to a miscalculation of the fee by the applicant.

**Motion** was made by Allan Curtis continue the hearing for 207-209 Oak Street to February 11, 2013; seconded by Judi Johnson. **Vote passed: 4:0:0**

*Eric Nelson arrived at 7:10 p.m.*

**Earth Day**

Jane was asked to email John Root about presenting his Edible Perennial Gardening and Landscaping program for Foxborough's Earth Day celebration. The Commission had previously written a letter of support for his presentation.

**December 17, 2012 Minutes**

**Motion** was made by Eric Nelson to accept the December 17, 2012 meeting minutes as amended; seconded by Valerie Marshall. **Vote: 5-0-0.**

**RFD, One Constitution Way**

Information Reviewed:

- Request for Determination received 1/14/13

Bob opened the hearing by reading the legal notice, as posted in the Sun Chronicle.

Applicant's representatives, Lauren Hastings and David Potter, both from Pare Corp., attended the meeting. Ms. Hastings described the project which is the installation of a gas line in a previously disturbed area. Work will be in the outer riparian only.

**Motion** was made by Allan Curtis to close the meeting for One Constitution Way; seconded by Judi Johnson. **Vote passed: 5:0:0**

The Commission then signed a Negative Determination for this project.

**East Belcher Road Compost Facility Operation**

Jane informed the Commission that she had not received the after the fact NOI filing for the work done at this property; today was the cut-off date for the next meeting on February 11. Sharon Wason informed her that Bay Colony will be preparing the application for the Town. Jane was asked to send an email to Bob Swanson to remind him of the filing deadlines.

**Lincoln Hill Property, Oak Street**

Judi attended the Board of Selectmen's meeting on January 22 and spoke regarding Lincoln Hill. She informed the Board that marbled salamanders had been found on the property. Jane has given Lincoln Hill historical information to Kevin Paicos and Town Counsel, who is currently looking into whether it is protected under Article 97.

## **Manager's Report**

Edwards Road Property - Jane reported that a resident came in to the office inquiring about giving a parcel of land, currently protected by a conservation easement, to the Town. It is located on Edwards Road across from the Reservoir. She will research this.

186 East Street - Jane visited a property at 186 East Street at the request of the homeowner, Colin Browning, who had lived there for two years. He was concerned that something might be wrong, since he had not seen many signs of wildlife. In the past, the Commission had issued Enforcement Orders to the previous owners for filling vernal pools. Vernal pool replication had been required and completed but, according to Jane, did not appear to be functioning as a vernal pool. During her visit, Jane found evidence of several kinds of mammals and will explore the area again in the future.

Sallie Property Trail Maps – Jane distributed copies of her daughter, Sarah's, recently finalized trail maps for the Commission's review. One minor revision was discussed and agreed upon. Bob asked Jane to give him a revised copy of the plan, and then he would have them copied.

## **Conservation Rental Properties**

Jane indicated that she plans to call the two rental property tenants, to let them know about the upcoming RFPs for renting both properties.

## **New Filings/Information Distributed to Commissioners**

- NOI – Lot 2 Oak Street
- Draft Annual Report for review

## **Meeting Adjourned**

**Motion** was made by Judi Johnson to adjourn; seconded by Jim Marsh. **Vote: 5-0-0**

The meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Nelson, Clerk

Draft minutes submitted by Lee Ann Tavares: 1/29/13

Reviewed by Jane Sears Pierce: 1/30/13

Approved by Commission: 3/25/13

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## **Documents, Not Referenced Above, Reviewed During Meeting**

### Attached Documents:

1. Agenda, January 28, 2013
2. Meeting Sign In Sheet

### Location of Other Documents:

3. Manager's Report, filed in Manager's Report binder in Conservation Commission's office.
4. Referenced projects' documents: please see Conservation Commission's project file