

## **Kingston Conservation Commission meeting: March 6, 2014**

Call to order 8:10 PM

In attendance: Evy Nathan, Amanda Moulaison, Marghi Bean, Paul Blais, Bill Waters, Andrea Kenter, Michael Dostie, Jeff Sluder,  
Guests: Walt Roy, and Steve White, Stan Hicks, Amanda Stone, Emma Carcagno

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes for Feb was accepted as written, the Saturday, extra meeting plan review minutes are still to be completed.

**Treasurer's report:** Jeff Sluder has created a spreadsheet. Numbers will be plugged in when the budget is approved.

## **Emma Carcagno and Amanda Stone from Stewardship Network presented to the Commission and guests**

### **Synopsis:**

- **Objective of a town wildlife action plan: keep common native species common, and threats to habitat minimal.**
- **Focus on species of critical concern.**
- **Incorporate into the town's master plan a wildlife action plan by way of a natural resources inventory.**
- **Evy Nathan is a member of the master plan revision committee, and has been working on the natural resources chapter with Ernie Landry.**
- **Funding is often a struggle. Public support can also be difficult, but having a wildlife action plan can help in these efforts.**
- **CC would like to see the fairgrounds become an area of habitat focus. SELT is responsible for WMP's on SELT managed properties, and the CC has forest management plans in place for all forests. Other open spaces are often neglected. A site walk at the fairgrounds in spring with Emma or Amanda, or both, is planned.**
- **Stewardship Network presented the Commission with the most recent habitat maps of the Kingston area.**

### **Correspondence:**

- Bob Bean requested a history of the CC. Evy has copied town reports and is reading through them to better understand the evolution of the CC.
- Evy passed out the SELT newsletter to commission members

### **Planning Board and DES Plans for Review:**

- Trendezza has requested a waiver for a driveway on an additional house that impinges on buffer for the SELT easement, since the driveway is already completed and cannot be changed or moved, we have no comment, except that such a large developer should have been more attentive to existing easements.
- A hydrological report for the Trendezza development was received. Andrea will send a letter regarding the report to the planning board.
- PSNH revision: we agreed to have Bruce Cliff (not present) review both plans and report back to us on changes.

- Bolton's lake House requires a permit for lake setback from DES, which has not been applied for, to our knowledge.

**Old and ongoing business:**

- Dave's retirement party will be held at Evy's home on March 22, 5:30 PM
- A check has been received from Exeter Area Greater Federation of Women's Clubs for apple trees for an Arbor Day event for students or scouts. Evy will thank them

**New business:**

- Alicia Geilen will speak on Landscaping for Wildlife at the Kingston Community Library on Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM
- There was a discussion of being part of Stewardship network's garlic mustard challenge, perhaps for Earth Day. Nothing was yet decided. As the meeting was shortened by the SN presentation, we will plan to discuss upcoming projects in April

**Other:**

**Meeting was adjourned at: 8:47**

**The next meeting will be held on April 3 at 7:00 in the library**