



Williamsburg Conservation Commission

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Meeting Minutes – January 7, 2016 – Williamsburg Town Hall

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Chair, Marcianna Caplis

Commissioners present: Marcianna Caplis, Joe Rogers, Mary Dudek and Andrew MacLachlan

Members of the public present: Michael Long

Commissioners informed property owner, Michael Long of 1 Geer Hill Rd., of violations of WPA and subsequently offered guidance in attending to issues in the wetland resource area, riverfront area and buffer zones. Andrew MacLachlan made a motion to draft an informal enforcement order and letter to Mr. Long to address riverfront and wetland violations. Mary Dudek seconded the motion. Approval was unanimous.

Commissioners discussed the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission's Forest Legacy Benefits proposal which aims to make land in western municipalities eligible for funding through the U.S. Forest Service and expand opportunities for land conservation projects. Collaboration will occur with MA DCR, Hilltown Land Trust, Kestrel Land Trust, land owners and other forestry groups and organizations. The Williamsburg Conservation Commission will request to be kept informed of ongoing activity regarding the potential consolidations for larger multiple forest areas.

The mail was reviewed.

Meeting adjourned at 8 pm. Next meeting will be held February 11, 2016

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Babcock
Secretary - Williamsburg Conservation Commission

Marcianna Caplis, Chair Christopher T. Lynch Joseph Rogers Mary Dudek Andrew MacLachlan
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