

**Woodbridge Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
September 17, 2009**

Present: Jim Urbano, David Speranzini, Maria Kayne, Diane King

Absent: Cathy Shufro, Paul Decoster, Suzanne Rosenberg

The meeting was called to order at 7:38 pm.

1. Minutes

Minutes were accepted as written for the July 2009 WCC meeting.
(Kayne-Urbano)

2. Yale Forestry Study Workshop

Prior to the meeting, the Commission members read chapters 4 and 5 of the Yale study for discussion. The Commission agreed that there were no substantive comments or revisions required for these chapters. The Commission will review Chapters 6 and 7 at the next Commission meeting.

3. News About Town

Maria Kayne indicated that the Commission needs to identify conservation issues/ opportunities that are important to the Town. These issues/ opportunities need to be identified early so that the Commission can get involved and make a difference. The Commission agreed to stay involved with the news about Town and bring potential conservation issues/ opportunities to the Commission's monthly meetings.

4. New Grant Opportunity

Maria Kayne reported that a DEP invasive species management grant is available. She indicated that she would contact DEP to find out more about the grant and report back to the Commission.

5. Other Business

-Massaro Farm

Maria Kayne noted the proposed fundraising event scheduled at the Massaro Farm on Saturday October 24, 2009.

-Guilford Stone Wall Ordinance

Maria Kayne reported that the Town of Guilford has a stone wall ordinance. The purpose of the ordinance is the preservation of existing old stone walls. The Commission agreed that a stone wall ordinance may be beneficial for the Town. A copy of the Guilford stone wall ordinance is needed.

-Woodbridge Country Club Committee

Maria Kayne reported that the Board of Selectmen was considering the formation of a Woodbridge Country Club Committee to act as an advisory committee with respect to the future use of the recently acquired Woodbridge Country Club. The Commission agreed to draft a letter to the Board of Selectmen and request that two members of the Conservation Commission be appointed to the committee. The Commission agreed that two members are appropriate since the Commission strongly supported the acquisition of the club as a conservation issue and helped raise public awareness of the need to preserve the club property.

6. Public Comments

None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:59 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

David Speranzini