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**Plainville Conservation Commission
Minutes of January 10, 2023**

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A meeting of the Plainville Conservation Commission was held at the Plainville Town Hall on 01/10/2023. The meeting opened at: 6:00pm. The meeting was recorded.

Commission members present:

George Benz, Lorna Bosworth, Bob Davis, Lou Droste, Bob Moores, Jack Shepardson

Commission members absent/late:

Dawn Denizkurt

Staff: Chris Yarworth

General Business:

39 Mirimichi Street – David Rabinovitz

Mr. Rabinovitz has recently purchased this property, and was present to discuss his ideas for maintenance on the pond that is jointly owned by him and the Commission. There are numerous trees that are dead and either overhanging the trails or dropped into the pond. Dead brush has been piled along the trails, and portions are overgrown with weeds and invasives. He would like to clear some of the dead vegetation on both his land and the Commission's in order to make the trails more accessible and safer. He has also been picking up trash at the boat ramp, and requested permission to install a trash barrel, which he offered to maintain, in order to reduce litter. He has been cleaning the pond bottom of trash when it is dry, and also been replacing boards in the two dams, which were failing. He would also like to upgrade the railings on the town dam. The Commission was in favor of this work, so long as communication with the Agent remains open. The work will help clean up the pond and surroundings, and enhance public safety.

Peck Road- Hockomock YMCA land donation

Mr. Davis recused himself from this discussion since he is an abutter to the land being donated.

A deed has been received from the Hockomock Young Men's Christian Association, Inc. donating 12.455 acres to the Commission for land located off Peck Road. The donation was associated with an Agreement signed by the Select Board as part of the 5 Berry Street solar project and the Park Terrace Swim Club complex transfer to the YMCA. The Select Board had signed the deed on 01/09/2023. The land is shown on a plan recorded at the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 652 Page 88.

Motion by Ms. Bosworth and seconded by Mr. Shepardson to accept the land donation from the Hockomock Young Men's Christian Association, Inc. for 12.455 acres of land off Peck Road. Passed: 5-0-0.

Motion by Ms. Bosworth and seconded by Mr. Shepardson to not allow hunting on this parcel due to its narrow width. Passed: 5-0-0.

Motion by Ms. Bosworth and seconded by Mr. Shepardson to approve payment for, and to authorize the chairperson to sign for, the Registry of Deeds recording fees for the Peck Road and Haynes Road documents. Passed: 6-0-0.

Motion by Ms. Bosworth and seconded by Mr. Benz to approve the minutes for the 11/22/2022 meeting. Passed: 5-0-1. (Shepardson abstaining)

Motion by Ms. Bosworth and seconded by Mr. Shepardson to adjourn at 6:31pm. Passed: 6-0-0.

Submitted by:

Christopher Yarworth
Conservation Agent