



Paxton Conservation Commission

Minutes, January 23, 2014 Meeting

Location and Time Paxton Town Hall 7:30 – 10:15 pm

Attendance Commissioners: Marisa Ayvazian (vice-chair), Daniel Gehnrich, Chris Keenan (chair), James Robert (vice-chair), Holly Robert (associate), Michael Voorhis (secretary), Commissioners Absent: Gerald Ryan, Others present: (None)

- **Minutes:** Minutes of the January 9, 2014 meeting were not yet available.

A special meeting of the Commission was opened by Chris Keenan, Chairman to discuss possible reorganization of duties. A significant amount of workload has fallen to the Chairman and Secretary over time and the Commission has been unable to fill its open positions. Most of the members of the Commission work full time and have family commitments.

Daniel Gehnrich announced that he was resigning from the Commission due to family responsibilities. He hopes that he might be able to find the time to devote to the Town in the future, and has enjoyed the time he has spent on the Commission.

The Commission proposed a budget which would include the hiring of a part-time Conservation Agent at its last meeting as a possible solution to resolving some of the workload issues. The logistics of doing this, and whether there should be any planned capital expenditures for this position, was discussed. Holly Robert offered to speak with Carol Riches about this.

The Commission did not re-organize, and Chris Keenan agreed to remain as Chairman. A public contact is needed for the Commission and for its section of the Town's website. The Commission will investigate whether the Town Services Coordinator might be able to assume this role.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 PM.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Commission will be on Thursday, February 13, 2014 at 7:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Robert
Associate Commissioner

