

# FOSTER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

## Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 4, 2010  
Ben Eddy Building, 6 South Killingly Road, 7:00 p.m.

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*(Approved)*

### A. Call to Order/ Roll Call

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.  
Mike announced that he will be moving out of RI as of this weekend. He therefore chose not to participate in voting but did officiate over the election of officers.

**Present (6):** Mike Wood, Chair; Scott Ulricksen, Vice Chair; Sisan Smallman, Secretary; Kathryn Zuromski; Chris Iozzi; Lou Vinagro.

**Vacant (1)**

### B. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from December 21, 2009 were reviewed.

**MOTION:** Kathryn made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting of December 21, 2009; motion seconded by Chris. Vote called; all in favor; none opposed; no abstentions.  
**Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

### C. Nomination and Election of Officers

- **Nominations were invited for the position of Chair.**

**MOTION:** Sisan nominated Scott Ulricksen as Chair; nomination seconded by Kathryn. Vote called; all votes in favor; none opposed; one abstention (Mike Wood). **Motion passed.**

Note: As the newly elected Chair, Scott requested that Mike do the honor of continuing to preside over the meeting.

- **Nominations were invited for the position of Vice Chair.**

**MOTION:** Kathryn nominated Chris as Vice Chair; nomination seconded by Sisan. Vote called; all votes in favor; none opposed; one abstention (Mike Wood). **Motion passed.**

- **Nominations were invited for the position of Secretary.**

**MOTION:** Scott nominated Sisan as Secretary; nomination seconded by Kathryn. Vote called; all votes in favor; none opposed; one abstention (Mike Wood). **Motion passed.**

- **Liaisons.**

By agreement, Kat will continue to represent the FCC on the Planning Board, and will report on issues related to the Environmental Inventory as appropriate.

Chris will continue to represent the FCC on the Land Trust.

Lou will report on Recycling, and will serve as liaison to the DPW as needed.

#### **D. Reports**

- **Environmental Inventory/ Planning Board.** Lou indicated that Planner Ann-Marie Ignasher is requesting that one or more representatives of the FCC make a site visit to the property of David Costa at 197 Gene Allen Road. Kat will find out details of likely times and dates, and will forward notice to members.
- **Land Trust.** No new report.
- **Recycling/ DPW.** Lou was congratulated on establishing a collection site at DPW for e-waste, and on the coverage in the FHJ.

#### **E. Old Business**

- **Foster Stone Wall Preservation and Protection Ordinance.** Ann-Marie Ignasher is continuing to review the proposal.

#### **F. New Business**

- **Bluebird and Bat House Workshop.** Members discussed the feasibility of scheduling the workshop during March. Scott will investigate whether he can secure wood for the kits. Sisan will check with Nancy Johnson on availability of Woody Lowden, and will contact Carol McCullough regarding an ad in the FHJ. Kat volunteered to design a poster.
- **No Bin/ No Trash Proposals.** Lou reported that Rambone is doing a feasibility study. Tracking compliance presents challenges, especially as recycling is every other week. The current contract is managed

jointly with Scituate (with recycling collections on the alternate weeks). A new contract is due in September.

- **Land and Water Summit.** Members were encouraged to consider attending, as it has been a valuable conference in the past. It is scheduled for the end of March.

**G. Correspondence**

- New correspondence was available for review.

**H. Future Agenda Items**

- **Foster walks.** Sisan indicated she will copy the flyer provided by Mike and will distribute at the next meeting.
- **Reduction of Meeting Paper and Folders.**
- **Creative Recruiting of Members.**

**I. Adjournment**

**MOTION:** Mike made a motion to adjourn the meeting; motion seconded by Kathryn. Vote called; all in favor; none opposed; no abstentions. **Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.**

*Members expressed deep appreciation to Mike for his work for the Commission, and wished him well in his new life in North Carolina.*

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*Respectfully Submitted,*

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*Sisan Smallman, Secretary*

**NEXT MEETING:**  
**NOTE CHANGE OF DAY**

***Foster Conservation Commission***  
***THURSDAY, February 18, 2010***

***Ben Eddy Building***  
***Foster, RI***