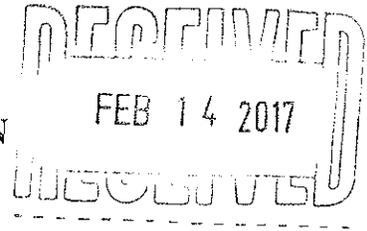


HOPKINTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
January 10, 2017 7:00 p.m.  
TOWN HALL



A. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. attending: Harvey Buford, Gary Marsh, John Pennypacker, Deb O'Leary

**B. Administrative**

**1. Annual Reorganization:** A motion was made and seconded to retain the current officers/position for 2017. Vote was unanimous. Officers are as follows: Harvey Buford, Chairman; Gary Marsh, Vice Chairman; Deb O'Leary Secretary.

**2. Approval of Minutes** A motion was made and seconded to approve minutes of the December 13, 2016 meeting.

Buford, Pennypacker, O'Leary voted Aye. Marsh: Abstained

**3. Budget:** We are waiting for a bill from RISC D to bring us up to date. Harvey requests billing updates every two weeks and to keep categories and avoid confusion of mapping and kiosks costs.

**C. Featured Discussion:**

**Farm Viability Ordinance Workshop** - January 26th Plan-Gary Marsh.

The agenda will be as follows: Call to Order, Distribution of hand outs (current Farm Viability Ordinance), Ordinance Review by Topic/Section. Discussion of suggestions from attendees. Suggestions for future workshops/meetings. Adjourn

**D. Other Business:**

**1. HCC Comp Plan Recommendation-** Letter sent on the topic of town of Origin sent to Planner.

**2. Exit 1 Welcome Center** - All members should read article in Westerly Sun by Cynthia Drummond. Exit 1 is RIDOT's location of choice.

**3.Loves Truck Stop.** January 19 @ 7:00 Zoning Board of Review meeting. Findings of fact and final decision is expected.

**4.Mapping and Trail Development Winter Schedule:** Harvey is covering Black Farm, DEM trails South of Old Pine extension. Deb and Harvey will continue efforts to meet with Camp Yawgoog representative.

**5.Hopkinton Outdoors Webpage update - John.** Nothing to report

**6.Planning Board Report-** No meeting in January.

**7.Morrone Auto Sales aquifer protection permit.** Sherri sent copy of inspection report. They have to relocate their oil tank. The floors have been sealed.

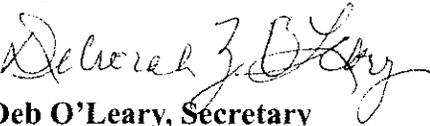
**8. Northeast Corridor Realignment-** It appears there are no track realignments or other major changes within Hopkinton. Consensus is that HCC take no collective involvement at this time.

**9. Calendar for January:** Zoning Board of Review: 1/19, HCC Farm Viability Workshop: 1/26.

**E. Topics for future meetings:** Explore distribution list for S.O.S office. Legislative Watch.

**E. Action Items:** Make improvements to Agenda format. (Deb and John) Deb will investigate accessing Secretary of State links to notice of meetings and agenda for Town Council and boards by HCC members. Deb will do a regular Legislative Watch to identify proposed legislation of interest or concern for HCC.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Deb O'Leary, Secretary  
HCC