

Lincoln Conservation Commission
Lincoln Town Hall
100 Old River Road
Lincoln, RI 02865

**MINUTES OF THE MAY 7, 2008 MEETING OF THE
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

MEMBERS ATTENDING:

ANTHONY E. PERROTTI – VICE CHAIRMAN
DORIS BRAIS - TREASURER
DANIEL FLYNN
ANNE MCGINN

MEMBERS ABSENT:

MICHAEL J. ALEXANDER - CHAIRMAN
ANNETTE BRIAND

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Anthony Perotti called the May 7, 2008 meeting of the Conservation Commission to order at 7:40 PM

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The approval of April 2, 2008 minutes. Motion by Anne, seconded by Doris, voted unanimous.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

IV. CORRESPONDENCE:

Judy Hadley, Chair Lincoln Land Trust – Letter regarding water overlay districts. Including a Valley Breeze article. Anne stated that she will call Lorriane Joubert, director of RI NEMO (Nonpoint Education for Municipal Officials). Tony suggested having Anne inquire with the town to see if Lincoln has an overlay program.

V. WETLAND APPLICATIONS:

RIDEM – March 5, 2008, Insignificant Alteration Permit – Application No 07-0488, 100 feet southeast of Wilbur Road, near utility pole no. 5., Assessor's Plat 24, Lots 35.

VI. COMMISSION PROJECTS:

Organic Community Garden- No report.

The Butterfly Garden cleanup has been rescheduled to Saturday, May 10th. Dan stated that Tranquil Water Gardens would prefer to speak to Mike regarding the pond cleanup.

Tony asked if the CC was making a donation to the fish ladders. Doris stated that we would have to review the budget balance after the BFG cleanup.

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

Tony stated that Mike did attend the Budget Board meeting and mentioned that the Budget Board would not reduce the CC budget.

Smithfield Avenue follow-up – No report.

Dan stated that he will ask the URI representative to attend the next CC meeting.

Recycling – No report from Dave Sale.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

Doris commented about the status of the Gateway Park and asked why it looks so terrible. Dan stated that the Town originally planted orchard grass to have it look like a meadow, except that the grass is overpowered by weeds.

Anne stated that she spoke to John Barr and that he suggested that the CC look into the Town purchasing the Limerock Preserve on Wilbur Road and the Audubon property as Open Space purchases. Anne stated that she would inquire with Al Rinaldi on the Town's future open space purchases.

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

Tony made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dan seconded. Vote unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Leslie B. Alexander
Recording Secretary, Lincoln Conservation Commission