

# HOPKINTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes of October 13, 2022 Meeting

TOWN HALL

David Augustyn, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:07p.m. Dawn Spears and Deborah O'Leary were present.

The approval of the minutes of the September meeting were tabled until the November meeting.

Featured Discussion:

A. We briefly reviewed the prior suggested items for focus in 2023.

A letter will be sent to local farmers over the winter to see their interest in a Farmer's Market. It was also suggested that we meet with our GIS director and Town Solicitor re: our idea to survey Open Space and available properties.

B. Discussion of the proposed Ordinance to allow commercial water extraction sales. The Planning Board unanimously voted not to recommend approval. The Town Council will vote at their next meeting.

C. Hopkinton Growth Management Ordinance. Members to review and discuss at the next meeting.

Planning Board Issues and updates: See item B above. Skunk Hill Solar is still being reviewed. Next Planning Board Meeting November 2nd.

Member and Public Forum:

David suggested that money left over in the budget be put aside for larger projects down the road or per a Public suggestion, that we award a scholarship to a local student interested in Conservation.

Action items for next meeting: Member Outreach, Scholarship Offer, Archiving policy and Farmer's Market feedback progress.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29.