

## **MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 13, 2008 MEETING**

A meeting of the Longmeadow Conservation Commission was called to order at 7:00 PM on February 13, 2008, in the Community Meeting Room located at the Longmeadow Police Station, Williams Street.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Albert Laakso, Jim Simon, Stephen Gazillo, and Peter Bouvier.  
**Absent:** Karen Chadwell, John Bresnahan and Scott Foster.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** See attached.

**MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING:** The minutes of January 24, 2008 were accepted.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Salary account: \$2,873.84; Maintenance: \$385.00; Misc.: \$456.01. Commissioner Laasko announced that we have a locked gate on Anthony Road (CC Land). The same key will be used for the Bark Haul gate and the Pondsides gate.

A memo was received from Kate Leary announcing a grant was received by Fannie Stebbins Memorial Wildlife from the Mass. Land Trust Coalition to do a Natural Resources Inventory and Management Plan for the area of Longmeadow Flats. Chris Polatin is doing the study; a meeting, sponsored by the Conservation Commission, will be held at Storrs Library on March 18<sup>th</sup> @ 7PM.

**RDA 1280 WILLIAMS STREET** - Peter Levesque of Pioneer Environmental of East Longmeadow represented Sunrise Development, Inc. in requesting an approval of an isolated wetland delineation, which not under the DEP's jurisdiction. The project is to remove the existing synagogue and construct a senior living facility, which will be 55' away from the 50' buffer zone and will use city water and city utilities. There will be a maximum of 96 beds. The building will be concrete and steel with a residential façade and will have an area of 22,000 sq. feet and will be 3 stories high. The Company will be going before the ZBA board asking for a variance for less parking spaces. The target is 48 spaces but no more than 56 spaces.

A motion was made to grant a Positive Determination, reason #2a. The Boundary delineations are confirmed as accurate; grant a Negative Determination, reason #1. The area described in the Request is not an area subject to protection under the Act or the Buffer Zone and reason #6. Determination is not subject to the Town of Longmeadow Wetlands By-Laws. The motion passed.

**RDA 45 TWIN HILLS DRIVE** - Peter Levesque represented William & Susan Awad who wish to reconstruct a new dwelling on an enlarged foot print. The proposal is outside of the 50' buffer zone. The damaged frame work will be removed from the existing foundation. All construction will occur within the existing lawn area. There will be grading and reseeded of the existing lawn. Work will be completed by November.

A motion was made to grant a Positive Determination, reason #2a. The Boundary delineations are confirmed as accurate; grant a Negative Determination, reason #2. The work described is within an area subject to protection under the Act, but will not remove, fill, dredge or alter that area and reason #6. Determination is not subject to the Town of Longmeadow Wetlands By-Laws. The motion passed.

**The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.**

**Respectfully submitted,  
Esther Moomjian, Secretary**