

**Plympton Conservation Commission**  
**Minutes of Open Meeting – November 17, 2015**

**Present:** Board Members Jeff Smith, Linda Leddy, John Mathias and Amy Cronin

**Absent:** Board Members Ami Dion and Rick Burnet

Mr. Smith called the meeting to order at 7:20 pm

**New Business:**

1. 190 Brook Street. There was continued discussion about the proposed solar project for 190 Brook Street, represented by Joe Webby. It was noted in prior meetings that since there are cranberries on the site, they are considered an “obligate species” of plant, indicating wetlands. However, soil samples will make the determination. A single soil core sample was taken in the past, and the Commission requested additional samples. A report was provided with additional soil core samples confirming that the soil conforms to upland soil characteristics; Joe Webby indicated four additional samples were taken. During the last meeting, Joe Shanahan of Clean Energy Collective also submitted an NOI in the event the soil samples were not accepted as proof that the site is not a true wetland. Mr. Mathias made the motion that was seconded by Ms. Leddy to make a negative determination of applicability under the RDA. This means the project is not subject to the wetlands rules and therefore Mr. Shanahan’s NOI can now be withdrawn.

*NOTE: The Commission must issue a determination of applicability at the next meeting.*

2. Correspondence. Received annual correspondence from EverSource providing their operational plan and it was accepted as consistent.

Received flyer from Old Colony Planning Council regarding their courses and activities.

3. Mr. Smith made a motion that was seconded by Ms. Cronin to pay a bill for \$1207 for legal services from Koppelman and Paige for the completion of the transaction for the donation of the land for O’Neil Park.
4. 68 Winnetuxet Road. The Commission reviewed a building application for a horse barn and determined there were no wetlands in the area, so it is not within the jurisdiction of the Commission.
5. Parks. The park policies and Churchill Park Parking lot locking policies were reviewed. There is a notice on the Plympton website announcing the official opening.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm by a motion by Ms. Leddy, seconded by Mr. Mathias with unanimous approval.

Recorded by Amy Cronin