



Conservation Commission  
TOWN OF SEYMOUR  
Town Hall  
1 First Street  
Seymour, Connecticut 06483

**Seymour Conservation Commission/Aquifer Protection Agency**  
**Thursday, January 8, 2009**  
**Regular Minutes**

**Commission Members Present:** Peter Jezierny, John Hatfield, Steve Kulas, Ron Skurat

**Others Present:** Peter Rzasa

The meeting was called to order by the chairman at 6:35 PM.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Skurat, **Sec.** by Mr. Kulas to accept the minutes of the December 4, 2008 regular meeting. **Motion carries with all in Favor.**

Mr. Skurat mentioned that the Greenway project status can now also be found on the COG website. Appears to be 3 stages to the project each at about 1 years time.

Mr. Kulas is still trying to identify owner of land containing boat ramp adjacent to the lake house restaurant.

Mr. Secor is still working with Empire Tools to correct their submitted paperwork.

Housatonic Valley Realty, LLC. is working on the new Actor's Colony building. Was notified of potential need to register. Paperwork has been returned with no potential violations at this time.

Joe Mangel- HRP associates, possibly engineering consultant for machine shop possibly being built on Roosevelt Drive, will keep us updated on progress.

APA Zone Route 67- Mountain Road, has been approved at Level A. Issues with area have been brought to the commission's attention.

597 Acres- 100 of the Acres are located in Seymour of the Quillian Reservoir Block. Mr. Raza suggested need for parking lot closer to Seymour, also lighting, signage, well labeled traps for any hunting, all of these suggestions will be included in letter to state.

Next years budget has been submitted by the Chair for 2009-2010.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Kulas, **Sec.** By Mr. Hatfield to approve the budget for 2009-2010.

Nomination of Officers

A **motion** was made by Mr. Hatfield, **Sec.** Mr. Skurat to nominate Pete Jezierny as Chairman.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Skurat, **Sec.** Mr. Kulas to nominate Al Cocchia as Vice-Chairman.

The commission will vote on officers at the next meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday February 5, 2009.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Skurat, **Sec.** Mr. Kulas adjourn the meeting at 8:00p.m.

**Motion carries with all in Favor.**

Respectfully submitted by:

Jay Hatfield  
Recording Secretary

January 10, 2009

Division of Forestry  
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ATTN: Gerard Milne, Forester

Dear Mr. Milne,

The Seymour Conservation Commission reviewed the draft management plan for the Quillinan Reservoir Block of Naugatuck State Forest at its regular meeting on January 8, 2009. The Commission is grateful for the opportunity to contribute to the management of the forest.

The Commission offers the following comments and suggestions:

1. Off road parking is necessary on Route 313/Rimmon Road to provide safe public access to the forest. Lighting of the parking area would be an asset.
2. The forest public access points, especially on Route 313/Rimmon Road, should have signs identifying the forest. "Skip" Hobson's name should be on the signs as well as on future maps of the forest.
3. Bridle trails should be considered in the forest. The existing fire roads could serve this purpose.
4. The Commission strongly recommends that all legal animal traps be well identified when set.
5. Hunting in the area adjacent to the Ansonia Nature Center should be restricted to prevent hunters coming into contact with people following the various nature trails. The Commission recommends that signs be placed on the trees in a line at least 500 feet from the Nature Center's boundary to prevent the movement of hunters onto the Center's property.
6. Signs giving the dates of hunting season should be placed at public access points to warn hikers.
7. Great efforts should be taken to preserve the Future Old Growth area created by Mr. Hobson.
8. The Indian sites must be actively maintained.
9. The State should consider the formation of a "Friends of the Forest" group to aid the State in the support of the forest and its attractions.

Sincerely,

Peter Jezierny, Chairman,  
Seymour Conservation Commission