TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR CONSERVATION COMMISSION February 27, 2013

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The Meeting was called to order in the Town Hall Meeting Room, 11 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT at 6:42 p.m. by Chairman Grant.

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM:

A quorum was established as six members (Albert Grant, Barbara Halloran, Janice Warren, Jim Strempfer, Kirk Monstream and Peter Larese) Robert Slate was absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES/January 23, 2013:

A motion was made by Kirk Monstream and seconded by Peter Larese to approve the minutes of January 23, 2013 as presented.

DISCUSSION OF COMMISSION BYLAWS/MISSION STATEMENT:

There was a discussion of the Bylaws and Mission Statement with no amendments.

STATUS OF COMMUNITY FARMS GRANT APPLICATION:

Status is the same as noted in January minutes.

OTHER BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

PA 490 Open Space Designation

It was brought to the Commission's attention that next year the Plan of Conservation and Development will be rewritten and the Commission will be asked for input at that time. The Commission members agreed to work on a proposal within the next year and that the proposal include an open space plan which would include having an open space designation with criteria separate from the PA 490 designation.

It was also brought to the Commission's attention that over 300 acres of property in Town has lost its 490 status. The Commission discussed the possibility of helping to educate those property owners who have lost their 490 status and will discuss education plans at the next meeting.

DEEP Open Space Grant Application

Status with regards to Scantic property has not changed.

Other New Business

It has been suggested that in the near future the Commission evaluate the Town owned small parcels (approximately 25 parcels) and propose what should be done with them.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara Halloran, Secretary, East Windsor Conservation Commission