

## TOWN OF SWAMPSCOTT

# OPEN SPACE & RECREATION PLAN COMMITTEE

ELIHU THOMSON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
22 MONUMENT AVENUE, SWAMPSCOTT, MA 01907

#### MEMBERS

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S. PETER KANE, TOWN PLANNER DANIELLE STRAUSS, RECREATION DIRECTOR

# DECEMBER 1, 2012 MEETING MINUTES

Time: 10:00-11:15am

Location: Harold King Town Forest, Nichols Street

Members Present: Toni Bandrowicz, Angela Ippolito, Jim Olivetti, Richard Smith, Mary Webster

Members Absent: Marc Barden, Sarah Pruett

Others: Pete Kane (Town Planner)

### HIKE OF TOWN FOREST

The committee held a hike of the Harold King Forest on Saturday. The hike was done to give committee members' a first-hand experience of one of the Town's largest natural resources. During the hike, members noted:

- The path that is cleared and marked regularly by the local Boy Scout troop
- · Various invasive plants that are affecting the forest
- Condition of the parking area
- Condition of the signage at the forest entrance
- Quality of the natural features throughout the forest
- The limited amount of trash/debris
- A building foundation and abandoned car at the northwestern corner of the forest
- Significant wetland area and several small ponds
- (for recreational purposes) the path could be described as either a "challenging" walking path or a hiking path

Minutes submitted by, Pete Kane – Town Planner