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## Effingham Conservation Commission Meeting minutes, January 13, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 p.m. There were no guests or members of the public.

### Organizational Issues:

- The minutes of the December 2 meeting were approved.
- Jack presented the financial report with a year-end wrap-up and a layout of the projected 2014 budget.
- Harry reported that he had heard that current use regulations were changing. This is not expected to have much effect on conservation commission funding received from current use conversion fees.

Goals and Schedules: Emelyn asked commission members to think about projects ECC can undertake for 2014.

### Water Issues:

- Al continues to research factors that would affect any effort to clear fallen trees from Pine River.

### Open Space Issues:

- Members discussed general design ideas for the roof to be constructed over the picnic table at the boat ramp.

### Education and Outreach:

- ECC Brochure – Emelyn renewed the call for members to come up with useful copy for a new ECC brochure.
- ECC Website – members discussed ongoing efforts to establish procedures for updating and editing copy on ECC's section of the town website.

### Other Business and Special Reports:

- 2013 Roster – Here at the first meeting of 2014, 2013 rosters were finally handed to Al and Harry, who stated that they already had them. But at least we all have closure now.
- Wildlife Hikes – Emelyn presented a report on the snowshoe hike led by Kamal Nath on January 1.
- 2014 Budget – Emelyn reported that the 2014 ECC budget is proceeding through the process to be added to the warrant.
- Emelyn has submitted the commission's annual summary for the town report.
- Jack and Harry have agreed to renew their memberships in ECC. Ha ha haaaaaa! There is no escape!
- Province Lake Association scheduled a meeting for Saturday, January 18 for their watershed action plan.

- Milfoil – New England Milfoil finally submitted an invoice for the harvest last October. The invoice for \$2,500.00 was submitted to Claudia to be paid from the appropriate account. The harvest netted 900 gallons, which is less than the previous harvest.

There will be no work session for January. The next regular meeting will be held Monday, February 3, at the municipal offices, School Street, at 6:30 p.m.

Members present: Emelyn Albert (*Chair*); Al Levesque; Harry Libby; Tim White (*Recording Secretary*); Jack Williams (*Vice Chair/Treasurer*); Virginia Wrabel. Absent: Steph Barnes (*alt.*); Steve Zalewski (*alt.*)

Respectfully submitted  
Tim White, Recording Secretary

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