

## **TRUMBULL NATURE COMMISSION**

**Tuesday, February 12, 2013**

**Present:** Chairman, Pam Georgas; Kevin Malone; Frank Graszynski . Also present: Scot Kerr and Rasa Malish

### **Call To Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm.

### **Public Comment**

No public comment.

### **Approval of Minutes**

It was moved by Mr. Graszynski, seconded by Mr. Malone to approve the minutes of January 2, 2013.

### **Spring Programs Update**

Ms. Georges noted the flyer went to the printers today. All next week's classes were cancelled because of the change in the school schedule due to snow days.

### **Building Relocation**

Mr. Malone had prints to be added to the plans. Mr. Graszynski wrote the introduction. This presentation will include habitats, visions, and the building plans. Mr. Malone is working on the funding. Ms. Georgas noted the building must be kept to 5,000sf. Several suggestions were made which need to be reviewed including actual space of the property. Interpretive signing and space need to be discussed. Dmitri Paris has been contacted for information. The naming of the property is still in discussion. Mr. Paris is concerned that this building might be separate and not available for everyone to use. This property needs to be available for everyone. It was noted tables have been made to depict what would be included in the site.

### **New England Cottontail Campaign Update**

Plans for the event were discussed by Ms. Malish. This event will be held in the library. There is a presentation scheduled from the DEEP on wildlife preservation as well as a live demonstration on endangered animals. Several events were discussed including art projects at the library, school programs and winterberry plants for the participants. Funding was also discussed and a budget will need to be developed. Several local organizations will be contacted for their sponsorships and participation on event day.

Marketing ideas were discussed including brochures with information about the cottontail and endangered species, donation of snacks from Annie's, and additional information to announce the campaign including signage and banners.

Ideas for the "Catch A Cottontail" event were discussed including craft projects for the children and a scavenger hunt. Local businesses will be contacted for participation/sponsorship. A flyer will be developed for those businesses that participate. Prize ideas and drawings need to be finalized.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:23pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Crandall, Clerk