

**Pembroke Conservation Commission**  
**Minutes of the Meeting of**  
**January 25, 2015**

*Disclosure: These minutes are not verbatim – they are the recording secretary's interpretation of what took place at the meeting.*

*All materials presented during this meeting are available in the Conservation Office.*

*Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A § 22.*

*Agenda – May include topics not reasonably anticipated by the Chair at time of posting of the meeting.*

*Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A § 20.*

Meeting began at 12:00 pm

Location: 27 Standish Street

Members present: Mark Ames, Robert Clarke, Carey Day, Al Gigliotti, Michael Kirby.

Members absent: Scott Glauben, Dan Smith

Site inspections scheduled for this meeting have been canceled due to weather conditions.

Mark Ames opened the meeting to discuss the land purchase and subsequent newspaper article in the Pembroke Mariner. Bob Clarke recuses himself from the meeting and leaves the area.

Members discussed the article in the Mariner and shared references of the facts of the land purchase. Members discussed the distinction of gift versus sale of property and how the need for the Board of Selectman's approval in each circumstance differs.

Al asked "Why are we here? What's happening differently than in the past?" Members discussed how nothing had changed and the how the commission had previously purchased land without consent of the Board of Selectmen (most recent being Furnace Colony Beach) and, how the Town had purchased land with the exact same Federal Easement on it (Bog 1), and how the Board of Selectman did not have issues with those purchases, however they do with the Zaniboni land purchase. Members also discussed the communications from the Board of Assessors to the Selectmen and discussed the possibility of retribution for Mr Zaniboni filing an appeal of the property tax assessed and his subsequent success in winning his appeal.

1:20 pm Motion was made by Al Gigliotti to adjourn, seconded by Mark Ames. All members were in favor.