



# The TOWN OF DEDHAM

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 12, 1962

**TOWN CLERK**  
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Article Thirty-six. VOTED: There is hereby established a Conservation Commission under the authority of Chapter 40, Section 8C of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as amended, to consist of five members who shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmen for the following purposes:

1. For the promotion and development of the natural resources and for the protection of watershed resources of the Town of Dedham. They shall conduct researches into the Town land areas and may coordinate the activities of official bodies organized for similar purposes, and to this end, the Commission may advertise, prepare, print and distribute books, maps, charts, plans and pamphlets which may be necessary for its work when an appropriation is available for the same.
2. The Commission shall complete an index of all the open areas of the Town of Dedham for the purpose of obtaining information pertinent to the proper utilization of such open areas, including lands owned by the Commonwealth or by the Town of Dedham.
3. The Commission shall also complete an index of all open marsh lands, swamps and other wet lands in the same manner as above provided, and may recommend to the said Selectmen, to the Department of Natural Resources and to the State Reclamation Board, a program for the better promotion, development or utilization of such areas.
4. The Commission shall keep accurate records of such meetings annually and shall file an annual report to the Selectmen which shall be printed in the Annual Town Report.
5. The Commission may appoint such clerks and other employees as it may from time to time require consistent with the By-laws of the Town of Dedham, and subject to appropriation.
6. The Commission may receive gifts of real or personal property in the name of the Town subject to the approval of the Selectmen and subject also to the approval of the Town Meeting, and in the event that such gifts are accepted, they are to be managed and controlled by the Commission for the purposes above specified.
7. The Commission may acquire by gift, purchase, grant, bequest, devise or lease the fee in such land or water rights or any lessee interest, development right, easement, covenant or other contractual right including conveyances on conditions or with limitations or reversions as may be necessary to acquire, maintain, improve, protect, limit the future use of or otherwise conserve and properly utilize open spaces and other land or water areas within the Town of Dedham, and shall manage and control the same.
8. When this Commission is first established, the Selectmen shall appoint two members for one year terms, two members for two year terms, and one member for a three year term. Thereafter, each appointment to the Commission by the Selectmen shall be for a three year term. Any vacancy occurring in the membership of the Commission shall be filled in the manner provided in Section 11 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth.

A True Copy Attest

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