

**GREENLAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, March 4, 2010**

**Members Present:** Chair Rick Mauer, Vice Chair Chip Hussey and Nancy Zuba

**Members Absent:** Jean Eno and Jane Man

**Agenda**

Chair Mauer opened the meeting at 7:00 P.M. and asked for a roll call of the attending Board Members (see listed above).

**1. Approve January 4<sup>th</sup> minutes**

The Commission reviewed the minutes of January 4<sup>th</sup> minutes. There were no suggested changes to the minutes and the following motion was made:

**Motion 1: Rick Mauer moved to approve the January 4, 2010 minutes, as submitted. Nancy Zuba seconded the motion. All were in favor. MOTION CARRIED.**

**2. Review Mail and Any Other Business**

1. The Commission reviewed the NH DES Notice of Administrative Completeness, re: the town-wide permit to maintain culverts. They noted the Town withdrew this permit application after receiving confirmation that RSA 482-A:3 IV (b) allows for maintenance of man-made structures including, but not limited to, drainage swales and ponds.
2. The Commission reviewed the NH DES Request for more Information, re: Rte 33/Bayside/Winnicut intersection project.
3. The Commission also reviewed the NH DES wetland's permit #2002-01268, re: Falls Way Phase II.
4. The next Conservation Commission meeting will be held on April 5, 2010.

No other business was discussed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 P.M. After the adjournment, the Commission joined the Planning Board's meeting to hear the PREP assessment presentation by Colin Lawson.

**3. Join Planning Board for the PREP assessment presentation**

Colin Lawson from the Piscataqua Region Estuaries Partnership (PREP) approached the Board to present the assessment results for the Winnicut Watershed project he was involved with. Mr. Lawson stated the purpose of this assessment was to determine the environmental planning and regulations in all 52 towns in NH and ME that comprise the Great Bay and Hampton-Seabrook estuaries. This included the following: Help target assistance to municipalities in making improvements over the

next 10 years, Identify gaps and inconsistencies and Inform regional planning efforts. Mr. Lawson explained the methodology used in the survey, which included: Assessed each municipality based on review of current Master Plan, ordinances, and regulations, PREP and RPC staff interviewed town staff, planners and board members, PREP compiled information and analyzed results, Developed recommendations for consistent environmental protections across the watershed. He noted the objectives of this presentation are to: encourage collaboration between watershed towns including the Winnicut River Watershed Coalition (WRWC), improving water quality and protecting water quantity, reducing non-point source pollution, value of protecting wildlife and habitat connectivity. After the presentation, Mr. Lawson made the following recommendations: Participate in the Winnicut River Watershed Coalition, Adopt low impact development techniques, Adopt stand-alone stormwater ordinance, Adopt erosion and sediment control ordinance, Adopt increased wetland and Shoreland buffer and setback regulations, Identify where the prime wetlands are in town, Support land protection efforts to ensure the community's long term water quality and quantity.

After the presentation, there were general questions from the public regarding the overall project. Mr. Lawson suggested Derek Sauers, from PREP, Amanda Stone, from NROC and/or himself would all be good resources in the process of future implementation of protecting the water resource. It was noted that this presentation is available to review on the Town website.

The Board thanked Mr. Lawson for the informative presentation.

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Attachments:

1. Agenda, dated 3/4/10

Approved by the Greenland Conservation Commission on April 5, 2010.