

**CENTER HARBOR CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
**APPROVED Meeting Minutes**  
**Cary Mead Meeting Room**  
**Municipal Building; Center Harbor, NH**  
**Tuesday, October 14, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER At 10:04 a.m. the meeting was called to order. Commission members present were Maureen Criasia (Moe), Harry Viens, Barbara Picard, Randy Mattson and Gwen Bronson. Bruce Bond and Karin Karagozian were absent with notice.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 16, 2014 minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Randy and seconded by Harry to approve the minutes as presented. The minutes were unanimously approved.

UPDATES

***Center Harbor Conservation Lands***

Rick van de Poll has included setting an objective of having 25% of land in Center Harbor put into conservation into Chapter 6 of the Natural Resources Chapter of the Master Plan.

***Proposed Water Resources Ordinance***

Moe heard that this will be tabled until next year. Harry will check and see what the reasoning is for holding up the drafting of a warrant article for inclusion on the March ballot.

OTHER BUSINESS

***Fogg Hill Conservation Easement***

At this juncture we will wait to vote to release the funds until the document is written and we can verify that the town attorney has included a hold harmless clause.

There is a tour around the Fogg Hill property organized by LRCT in partnership with CHCC, open to the public, scheduled for Saturday, October 18th at 8:30 a.m. until noon led by Rick van de Poll.

***Center Harbor Conservation Lands***

Jim and Angie Bascom, West Center Harbor residents, are selling their property, about 60 acres, which is adjacent to the Fogg Hill property. LRCT has been pursuing the idea of doing a boundary line adjustment to break off 12 acres that includes the house and barn, leaving 48 acres to either be put into conservation or purchased as an extension to the Fogg Hill parcel. The 48 acres includes prime wetlands and a stratified drift aquifer extending along the entire west shore of Bear Pond. The aquifer eventually flows into Hawkins Pond. There is a focus group actively researching the possibility of purchasing the 48 acres from the Bascoms. An opinion of value has been given to the Land Trust. There are two significant donors who are potentially willing to donate funds to purchase this property. Don Berry is hoping to extend the ARM Grant to obtain more funds to help purchase the property as well. In reviewing the forestry management plan map created for the Bascoms of which we have a copy, it is clear that the aquifer runs directly through the property and that there is a significant area of prime wetlands as well.

***Correspondence***

DES provided notice to CHCC that a Wetlands Program Permit Application was submitted for 453 High Haith Road, Center Harbor, Tax Map/Lot#: 203/8.

DES provided notice that a Subsurface Systems Bureau Subdivision Approval Application was submitted for Long Island on Squam Lake in Center Harbor, Tax Map/Lot#:201/4.

***Signage on Hawkins Pond***

It has been ten years since signs were created for the access area onto Hawkins Pond. This is supposed to be a car top access area only and there are concerns for introduction of milfoil or other exotic species when people launch boats from trailers backed into the pond. New signs are being created for this access area to make rules and regulations clear and easily seen.

***Next Month's Meeting***

We will tentatively change our meeting date to Monday, November 3rd due to voting on our normal meeting day.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn was made by Gwen, seconded by Harry. Meeting adjourned at 11:10.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara Picard, Secretary