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## **Conservation Commission**

## Executive Session Minutes of December 16, 2014

The Conservation Commission met on Tuesday, December 16, 2014 at 6:45 PM in the Mural Room at the Duxbury Town Hall.

Members Present: Joe Messina: Sam Butcher; Dianne Hearn; Barbara Kelley; Holly Morris;

Corey Wisneski (arrives 7:00) Members Absent: Tom Gill

Staff Present: Joe Grady, Conservation Administrator; Susan Ossoff, Administrative Assistant

Joe Grady updated the Commission about negotiations for a land purchase by the Town. There is now a verbal agreement with the landowner to purchase the land for the price of \$1,894,589; a Purchase and Sales agreement is now being prepared for the Board of Selectmen. There are 19 pieces of land constituting 261.3 acres, including wetlands, bogs, and uplands. An additional 9.8 acres of salt marsh will be donated. This land fits nicely into other Conservation and protected land holdings in Town.

Associated costs are estimated as \$35,000 for surveying and plans, \$10,000 for legal, \$30,000 for Conservation Restriction Stewardship, and \$8500 for the services of a farm planner at \$85/hour. The total project cost is \$1,978,089 (rounded to \$1,980,000).

On a motion by Sam Butcher, seconded by Barbara Kelley, it was unanimously voted to recommend to the Selectmen that they enter a P&S agreement and sponsor a Town Meeting article for this land acquisition project for \$1,980,000.

Holly Morris made a motion to end the Executive Session and return to Regular Session at 6:59 PM; the motion was seconded by Sam Butcher. The roll call vote was: Joe Messina, yes; Sam Butcher, yes; Dianne Hearn, yes; Barbara Kelley, yes; Holly Morris, yes.

Respectfully Submitted, Susan Ossoff

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