



**TOWN OF FALMOUTH
RESOLUTION TO ADOPT OPEN SPACE MANAGEMENT PLANS**

WHEREAS, the Town of Falmouth adopted the *Greening of Falmouth* report in 2006, which identified a plan to acquire open space within the Town;

WHEREAS, the Town of Falmouth has consistently supported the acquisition and management of open space property; and

WHEREAS, the voters approved significant funding at a referendum in 2007 to assist with the implementation of the *Greening of Falmouth* report; and

WHEREAS, the Falmouth Town Council created the Land Management and Acquisition Committee in 2013; and

WHEREAS, Code of Ordinances, Section 2-139 (3) [Powers and Duties of the Land Management Committee] states that the Land Management and Acquisition Committee shall "*Create management plans for each designated conservation property owned by the town*"; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FALMOUTH, that the Town Council hereby supports and adopts nine distinct open space management plans for the following properties: River Point Conservation Area; Suckfish Brook Conservation Area; East Branch Conservation Area; North Falmouth Community Forest; Blackstrap Hill Community Forest; Hadlock Community Forest; Woods Road Community Forest; Town Forest (Community Park – North); and Falmouth Nature Preserve; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the management plans are to be used by staff and Committees as a guideline in the ongoing management of open space; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Land Management and Acquisition Committee and staff will regularly report progress and future plans of significant activity and tasks to the Town Council, such tasks to include but not be limited to significant forest management projects.

Approved this 9th day of December 2013.

Attest: _____
Town Clerk

Date: _____