

APPROVED: May 5, 2015

New Castle Conservation Commission

Minutes February 3, 2015

Approved the January 2015 meeting minutes

The commission was given a presentation by Jeff Barnum, CLF Great Bay Water Keeper. He discussed nitrogen pollution in the bay, its sources, and some solutions to the problems. He commended New Castle for its newly enacted fertilizer ordinance.

The commission reviewed plans for 49 Riverview Road in New Castle. The owners requested a work session in conjunction with plans to remove the existing residence and replace it. In general the commission thought the plan, which is smaller in scope than the existing structure, was in keeping with conservation and making the area less non-conforming.

The commission discussed cutting trees town land opposite Ocean Road near the Town Landing. It was decided that the commission would do a site walk when the snow recedes.

The commission briefly discussed the Lavanger Creek conservation plan reaffirming its value and supporting its recommendations.

The commission will be submitting flyers and information on the fertilizer ordinance and fertilizer use to be published in various publications as we come into the spring season.