

North Hampton Conservation Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
May 12, 2015  
**As approved**

**Administrative**

**Roll Call**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm. Present were Chris Ganotis (Chair), Lisa Wilson (Vice Chair), Kathy Grant, Russell Jeppesen, Philip Thayer and Andrew Vorkink.

**Consideration of Minutes of April 13, 2015 Meeting**

After review of the April 13, 2015 minutes, *a motion was made by Lisa Wilson, duly seconded by Andrew Vorkink*, to accept the minutes as amended, with one correction and several minor typographical edits made. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

**New Business**

**Easement Sub-Committee Update**

Andrew Vorkink reported that the committee is working to clarify data and put a digital records system in place for the Town web site to indicate the owners of current conservation easements and easement summaries. Kathy Grant has updated an integrated data spreadsheet of Town Conservation parcels.

**Seacoast Conservation Commissioners Round Table Meeting**

On June 8, 2015, the Seacoast Roundtable of Conservation Commissions will convene to discuss wetlands delineation with Paul Minkin of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to clarify the Corps' interpretation of hydric soils related to wetland delineations..

**DES Meeting – 319 Grant Program**

A DES and FB Environmental meeting was held with several Town department members on April 17, 2015 to review plans to implement surface water runoff projects with a DES 319 Grant for the Little River Watershed, which will be completed by the end of this year.

**Winnicut River Watershed**

A pre-application in July is required for a grant proposal to develop a watershed management plan and was discussed. If the pre-proposal is approved, a final proposal must be prepared by a qualified consultant. Funding the consultant's proposal was discussed as an issue to be resolved

**Old Business**

**Winnicut River Quality Testing**

An agreement has been signed for the project to add to the data base of prior test results to determine any changes in water quality of the river. The water quality of the river is poor, primarily due to very low flow. At the April 27, 2015 Select Board meeting, the

was discussion of the poor flow of the Winnicut River, with continuing flooding and possible leaching of septic systems. The Select Board agreed with the Commission's plans to continue its water quality sampling, testing and monitoring of the Winnicut River by FB Environmental in 2015. In the meeting, it was stressed that dredging of the river should be done to improve the flow of the river.

### **Little River Quality Testing**

A budget of \$10,000 has been approved for continued water quality testing the Little River to monitor changes in contamination levels.

### **Other Business**

The Chair received an email from Paul Apple regarding a joint meeting to be held on June 8, 2015 with the Select Board, the DES and members of the Hampton Rod & Gun Club. The Conservation Commission was asked to attend the meeting.

There being no further business to discuss, *a motion was made by Philip Thayer, duly seconded by Kathy Grant, to adjourn the meeting.* The meeting adjourned at 8:03pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Beverly Moore  
Recording Secretary

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