

**Marine and Fresh Water Quality Task Force**  
**Minutes, Nov. 19, 2012**  
**Town Hall, Skaket Room**

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**Attending Members:** Carolyn Kennedy, Gilbert Merritt, Bob Royce, Ken Scott, Judy Scanlon, Larry Minear, Jack (Bugs) Moran (joined at 10:30)

**Guest:** Charles Harris, Eastham; Judy Hunt, Orleans

Chair Carolyn Kennedy called the meeting to order at 10:00 am

- 1) **Meeting Minutes:** October Meeting minutes approved: 6-0-0
- 2) **Pleasant Bay Alliance:** The Pleasant Bay Alliance is developing a new management plan for the bay. Carolyn Kennedy and Judy Scanlon attended a meeting with the Alliance on November 7 to provide input. Current management plan and background information is available on line at <http://www.pleasantbay.org/>
- 3) **2013 Meeting Dates:** Possible meeting dates for 2013 were presented by Carolyn and discussed by the group. Agreed dates were January 14, Feb 11, April 8, May 20, June 17, July 15, Aug 19, Sept 16, Oct 21, Nov 18, Dec 16
- 4) **Fresh Water Pond Data:** Carolyn often gets citizen requests for pond water quality data. The Task Force would like to organize the existing data in a format easily accessible to the public. It seems most reasonable to have the data summary accessible from the Town Of Orleans website. Suggested resources are the Cape Cod Commission "Cape Cod Pond and Lake Atlas" of 2003 and Ed Eichner's "Orleans Ponds" report of 2005. We will also look at other local town web sites for possible models. We see our job as a two-step process. First get the data collated and secondly develop an understandable presentation. Judy and Larry will work on developing an outline fact sheet with key issues such as water quality changes and its effects on consumer use. Ken, Bugs and Gilbert will try to get the data collected and summarized on a pond by pond basis. We will develop a prototype presentation on Baker's Pond.
- 5) **Eastham Alum Treatment:** Charles Harris and Carolyn Kennedy reported that the Eastham's Herring Pond alum treatment has been completed. Monitoring of the effects of the treatment is underway.
- 6) **Namskaket Marsh:** Judy Scanlon expressed concern about time and money spent on Namskaket Marsh restoration and the apparent lack of cooperation among the various groups. Bob Royce will check on the Conservation Commission's management plan for the area.
- 7) **Next Meeting:** Next Meeting December 17.
- 8) **Meeting adjourned:** 11:30 am

Respectfully submitted:

Gilbert Merritt

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