



Falmouth Conservation Commission  
**Minutes of December 7, 2015**

Meeting convened at 7:00 p.m.

**Members present:** Nancy Lightbody, Jerry Goodall, Steve DeCrosta, Susan Gilpin, Sarah Boudreau, Paul Burlin, Ned Kitchel (Town Council liaison)

**Review of Minutes**

Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted unanimously as amended.

**FCC Planning and Job Responsibilities for 2016**

There was a lengthy discussion regarding future committee assignments. Of particular concern was the Planning Board. The idea of several Commission members sharing the responsibility relative to the Planning Board meetings was discussed. No decision was made, and the question was tabled for future discussion.

During the January meeting, a draft annual report of 2015 accomplishments as well as 2016 plans will be presented for discussion and adoption.

**Subcommittee Discussions and Reports**

- **LMAC (Aaron)**  
The idea was discussed of taking town residents by van to various conservation sites to enhance awareness of the areas that have been conserved.
- **Vernal Pools (Aaron)**  
Will continue to be reviewed by Aaron.
- **Stormwater (Susan)**  
Susan reported on the Casco Bay Estuary Project seminar meeting she attended on October 13 relative to the status and future of Casco Bay. Sea level rise was one of the main issues discussed at the meeting. There was discussion as to what the Commission might do at this point relative to the issue of sea level rise. Ned offered to talk with Nathan Poore and report back regarding preliminary actions the Commission might take on the issue of sea level rise and its impact on the town.
- **Invasive Species (Nancy-Sarah-Jerry)**  
The work continues.
- **Planning Board (open)**  
No report at this time.



- **Ad-Hoc Zoning (Steve)**  
Steve reported that the Council has agreed to provide an additional \$35,000 to complete the project to update and computerize the Town's ordinances.
- **Ad Hoc Route 100 Vision Committee (Sarah)**  
The Route 100 Plan has been scaled back to keep the improvements within a reasonable price range.
- **Ad Hoc Route 1 North Committee (Paul)**  
Paul reported that the Route 1 Committee is still in the process of being fully constituted and is expected to become active in early 2016.
- **Update of Website (Paul)**  
Paul reported that Molly Bennett, a Falmouth High School senior, is at work on the first video to be uploaded eventually to the Conservation Commission's location on the Town's website. It is hoped that a draft of the video will be available for viewing during the January meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Next meeting is Monday, January 4, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. (Nancy will take the minutes.)

Submitted by Paul Burlin.