

Ogunquit Conservation Commission  
Minutes for Thursday, February 16, 2017  
Dunaway Center, 6:30 pm

**Present:** Bill Baker, Doug Mayer, Bill Lee, Cindy Douglass

**Excused:** Pam Sawyer

**Observers and participants:** Mary and Kristin Ross, Jennifer Walker, Len Pierce

**January Minutes:** Bill Lee made the motion to accept January's minutes; Cindy Douglass seconded, January Minutes accepted

**Bicycle Committee:** Jennifer Walker of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee explained her committee's wish to have a bike trail from Ocean Avenue across Rt. 1 to Captain Thomas Road and ultimately to Mt. Agamenticus. Doug detailed the current conservation land available for bike trails. Jennifer and Doug discussed different possibilities for such a bike route.

**PFCs – Captain Thomas PFCs testing? - Pam Sawyer**

Since Pam was not present, this was tabled till the March meeting.

**Land monies and ownership reasoning – Cindy Douglass**

Cindy talked to John Q again about another entity owning land bought in part with town money, and John again said the town had to own the land. Doug pointed out that other towns, such as South Berwick, have given town owned land to land trusts. Cindy agreed to find the answers to the question if, as Doug Mayer wondered, a town can donate land to a land trust.

Bill Lee reminded us that a land trust can be given an easement on town owed conservation land.

### **Environmental Award:**

This was tabled until the March meeting when we will have more information about a candidate.

### **Budget Hearing – Bill**

Bill Baker thought that the Conservation Commission's requests were well received with few questions regarding the land reserve fund.

### **10 and 12 BEACH PLUM LANE REALTY TRUSTS**

Len Pierce, a trustee for 10 and 12 Beach Plum Lane Realty Trusts, clarified a number of questions raised by Bill Baker, Doug Mayer, Bill Lee, Cindy Douglass and Kirstin Ross.

### **Beach Conference – Wells H.S.**

Bill Baker asked if the commission should offer scholarships to town people who were not commission members. Commission members agreed this would be a good idea if money were available.

### **Gulf of Maine Institute?**

We will look into a visit when the weather becomes better.

### **Other –**

Cindy Douglass wondered if the clam flats were open. Bill Baker understood they had been closed due to a leaky pipe. Len Pierce thought the flats were reopened January 31.

### **Adjournment:**

Bill Lee made the motion for adjournment at 8:07; Cindy Douglass seconded, meeting adjourned.

Respectively submitted,  
Bill Baker,  
Chair