

**BEAUFORT COUNTY RURAL AND CRITICAL LAND  
PRESERVATION BOARD**

The Beaufort County Rural and Critical Land Preservation Board (hereafter known as the Board) Retreat was held on March 14, 2013 at the Beaufort Jasper Water and Sewer Authority Conference Room at 3:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Ed Pappas (Chairman)  
Ms. Selena Brown (Vice-Chairman)  
Mr. George Johnston  
Mr. Jacob Preston  
Mr. Steve Riley  
Ms. Norma Stewart  
Mr. Joseph Vercellotti

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mr. York Glover  
Ms. Janice Johnson  
Mr. Jim Livingston

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Ms. Amanda Flake, Natural Resources Planner  
Ms. Patty Kennedy, Mr. Garrett Budds, Beaufort County Open Land Trust

**GUEST PRESENT:**

Mr. Brian Flewelling, County Councilman  
Mr. Reed Armstrong, Coastal Conservation League  
Mr. Michael Brock, M Brock Designs, LLC

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Ed Pappas called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Chairman Pappas asked if there were any changes to the Agenda and there were none.

Chairman Pappas asked if there were any changes to the Minutes from the February 21, 2013 Board meeting. Hearing none, Ms. Brown made a motion and Mr. Riley seconded the motion to accept the Minutes from the February 21, 2013 Board meeting. **Motion carried.**

## **GENERAL DISCUSSION**

Ms. Patty Kennedy presented a re-cap of the Rural and Critical Land Preservation Board Retreat that was held in February. Overall the Board decided that this re-cap should be presented to the Natural Resources Committee to begin a discussion of the next steps for the Rural and Critical Land Preservation Program. One of the elements discussed was the property classification list which will be brought back at the April Board meeting with some modifications by BCOLT and County staff. During that meeting the Board and staff will finalize wording and the list will be sent forward to be adopted by County Council.

County Councilman Brian Flewelling said he is not sure what the next steps are but that he needed to talk with County Council Chairman Paul Sommerville and will discuss their ideas and thoughts at the next Board meeting. He is very proud of the work that the Board and staff have done at this point. He feels that there has been some progress with opening some of the fee simple properties to the public and that he will champion these projects.

There were also some questions about putting signs on fee simple properties to let the public know where they are located. Ms. Kennedy stated that the Beaufort County Planning Department may have an intern this summer that could be given a project to compile design standards for all passive parks within this program, including signage.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chairman Pappas entertained a motion by Mr. Riley, seconded by Ms. Brown, to adjourn the Open Session at 3:25 p.m. and enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters associated with property acquisitions. **The vote was unanimous to enter into Executive Session.**

**The Board re-entered Open Session at 4:53 p.m.**

The following to be presented to Natural Resources Committee:

Mr. Riley made a motion; seconded by Mr. Vercellotti, to recommend to the Natural Resources Committee of County Council to pursue Parcel A under the terms and conditions as recommended by Beaufort County Open Land Trust, as discussed in Executive Session. **The motion carried.**

Mr. Riley made a motion; seconded by Ms. Stewart, to recommend to the Natural Resources Committee of County Council to pursue Parcel B under the terms and conditions as recommended by Beaufort County Open Land Trust, as discussed in Executive Session. **The motion carried.**

Mr. Riley made a motion; seconded by Ms. Brown, to recommend to the Natural Resources Committee of County Council to pursue Parcel P under the terms and conditions as recommended by Beaufort County Open Land Trust, as discussed in Executive Session. **The motion carried.**

Mr. Riley made a motion; seconded by Ms. Stewart, to recommend to the Natural Resources Committee of County Council to pursue Parcel F under the terms and conditions as recommended by Beaufort County Open Land Trust, as discussed in Executive Session. **The motion carried.**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Chairman Pappas entertained a motion at 4:55 p.m. from Mr. Vercellotti, seconded by Ms. Brown, to adjourn the meeting. **The motion was unanimously approved.**

**Submitted by:** Amanda Flake, Natural Resources Planner

**Approved:**

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Ed Pappas, Chairman, Beaufort County Rural and Critical Land  
Preservation Board

Date: \_\_\_\_\_