

**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 April 11, 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. Bob Bender
Mr. York Glover
Mr. George Johnston
Mr. Jacob Preston
Mr. Steve Riley
Ms. Norma Stewart
Mr. Joseph Vercellotti

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ms. Janice Johnson
Mr. Jim Livingston

STAFF PRESENT:

Ms. Amanda Flake, Natural Resources Planner
Ms. Patty Kennedy, Beaufort County Open Land Trust
Ms. Billie Lindsay, Planning Department

GUEST PRESENT:

Mr. Reed Armstrong, Coastal Conservation League
Mr. Joe Croley
Mr. Jason Mann, MCAS Community Plans and Liaison Office
Ms. Colleen Barrett, MCAS Community Plans and Liaison Office

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ed Pappas called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

Chairman Pappas asked if there were any changes to the Agenda and there was one: to add introductions of Marine Corps Air Station personnel from the Community Plans and Liaison Office.

Chairman Pappas asked if there were any changes to the Minutes from the March 14, 2013 Board meeting. Hearing none, Mr. Vercellotti made a motion and Mr. Riley seconded the motion to accept the Minutes from the March 14, 2013 Board meeting.

Motion carried.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Ms. Patty Kennedy, with Beaufort County Open Land Trust (BCOLT) introduced Ms. Colleen Barrett and Mr. Jason Mann who represented the Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Community Plans and Liaison Office. Mr. Jason Mann stated that the relationship between MCAS, BCOLT, and Beaufort County Rural and Critical Land Preservation (RCLP) Program is very well known and recognized. He is very excited to keep a great working relationship with the RCLP Board, BCOLT, and the RCLP Program. Mr. Mann invited all the Board members to a cock pit demonstration on April 26, 2013 for the new jet that will be coming to the Marine Corps Air Station.

Ms. Kennedy reviewed the Property Classification List that was discussed at the RCLP Board Retreat. The idea behind this list is to use the classifications as guidelines on how to label fee simple properties coming forward for purchase through the program. The recent draft of the list is hopefully more user friendly. Ms. Kennedy would like the Board to take the draft home and return to the next meeting prepared to discuss any modification, changes, or additions. Once the edits are reviewed and completed, the Board will vote to send it on to County Council for approval.

During the RCLP Board Retreat, the role of the Board was discussed. The outcome of the Retreat was that the Board did not want to expand their role beyond acquiring properties for the program. The Board decided to send forward Ms. Kennedy's highlights of the Retreat to the Natural Resources Committee to have them decide how to deal with passive parks within Beaufort County (planning, development, and maintenance).

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Pappas entertained a motion by Mr. Riley, seconded by Ms. Brown, to adjourn the Open Session at 3:40 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 4:30 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 M 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 4:31 p.m. from Mr. Riley, seconded by Ms. Brown, to adjourn the meeting. **The motion was unanimously approved.**

Submitted by: Amanda Flake, Natural Resources Planner

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

Date: _____