

**MINUTES
RURAL AND CRITICAL LAND PRESERVATION BOARD**

March 11, 2021

Webex/Crystal Lake Park Building

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accordance with the State Freedom of Information Act.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Vice-Chairman Walter Mack, Art Baer, John Maffei, Chris Marsh, Gail O’Kane,
Beek Webb

Absent: Chairman Michael Mathews, Terry Hill, Ryan Stefonick

County
Council: Alice Howard, York Glover

Staff: Eric Greenway, Interim County Administrator; Amanda Flake, Natural
Resources Planner

Visitors: Kate Schaefer, BCOLT Director of Land Protection; Kristin Williams, BCOLT
Executive Director; Hayes Williams, Beaufort County Finance; Mary Ryan
Krieger, MCAS Air Station; Anna Smith, SCDNR

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Kate Schaefer called the meeting to order at 2:34 p.m.

Public notification of this meeting has been published, posted, and distributed in compliance
with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Baer, seconded by Mr. Marsh to approve the agenda as presented.
The vote: YAYS – Vice-Chairman Mack, Mr. Baer, Mr. Maffei, Mr. Marsh, Ms. O’Kane, and Mr.
Webb. The motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February 11, 2021

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Maffei, seconded by Mr. Baer to approve the minutes as presented.
The vote: YAYS – Vice-Chairman Mack, Mr. Baer, Mr. Maffei, Mr. Marsh, Ms. O’Kane, and Mr.
Webb. The motion passed.

PRESENTATION

Anna Smith – South Carolina Department of Natural Resources

Ms. Anna Smith with the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) presented on the State's land protection strategy and grant utilization. Some of the State's goals were to add to existing conservation lands, fill in holes and gaps, create wildlife corridors, and encourage conservation planning. She listed a variety of land acquisition grants through SCDNR as well as possible match sources.

Greenprint Draft

Ms. Amanda Flake gave an update on the Greenprint draft which was submitted and recommended for approval by the Planning Commission. The draft will move forward the Natural Resources Committee for approval on Monday, April 5, 2021. The Greenprint draft will then be grouped with the Comprehensive Plan Update which will happen over the next few months.

Miscellaneous

Mr. Terry Hill resigned from the Board. The Board members thanked him for his service on the Board.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Marsh seconded by Mr. Baer to approve to go into Executive Session. YAYS – Vice-Chairman Mack, Mr. Baer, Mr. Maffei, Mr. Marsh, Ms. O'Kane, and Mr. Webb. The motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Discussion of proposed purchase of property and issues incident thereto for Project 2020B and Current Project Updates

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Motion: It was moved by Ms. O’Kane, seconded by Vice-Chairman Mack to adjourn the meeting at 3:14 pm. The vote: YAYS – Vice-Chairman Mack, Mr. Baer, Mr. Maffei, Mr. Marsh, Ms. O’Kane, and Mr. Webb. The motion passed.

Submitted by: Amanda Flake, Beaufort County Community Development
Natural Resources Planner

Approved: _____
Mike Mathews, Chairman
Beaufort County Rural and Critical Lands Preservation Board

Date: _____