

**MINUTES**  
**RURAL AND CRITICAL LAND PRESERVATION BOARD MEETING**

**December 9, 2021**

Crystal Lake Park/Webex

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accordance with the State Freedom of Information Act.

**ATTENDANCE**

Present: Chairman Walter Mack, Vice-Chairman Art Baer, Ford Bartholow, Mac Bennett, Kenneth Frazier, John Maffei, Tom Murray, Gail O’Kane, Ryan Stefonick, Beek Webb

Absent: Chris Marsh

County

Council: Alice Howard, York Glover

Staff: Rob Merchant, Planning Director; Amanda Flake, Natural Resources Planner

Visitors: Eric Greenway, Beaufort County Administrator; Kate Schaefer, BCOLT Director of Land Protection; Kristin Williams, BCOLT Executive Director; Caylor Romines; BCOLT Stewardship Director; Stefanie Nagid, Passive Parks Manager; Brittany Ward, Assistant County Attorney; Joe Mac, University Bikes

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Walter Mack called the meeting to order at 2:31 p.m.

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**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**September 9, 2021**

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

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **Easement Workshop**

Ms. Kate Schaefer presented a Power Point to discuss template terms to be used in conservation easements purchased through the Rural and Critical Land Preservation Program. Sections discussed were subdivisions, impervious surface limits, residential structures, dock, buffers, commercial uses, ponds, tree protection, etc. The Board was asked to review all the suggestions and let staff know if they have any other changes or recommendations.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion: Motion:** It was moved by Vice-Chairman Baer, seconded by Mr. Bennett to adjourn the meeting at 4:02 pm. The vote: YAYS – Chairman Mack, Vice-Chairman Baer, Mr. Bartholow, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Maffei, Mr. Murray, Mrs. O’Kane, Mr. Stefonick, and Mr. Webb. The motion passed.

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

**Approved:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Walter Mack, Chairman  
Beaufort County Rural and Critical Lands Preservation Board

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