

# Minutes of Henniker Conservation Commission Open Space Subcommittee Meeting

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Members present: Denise Rico, Gail Beckett, Sher Kamman, Bob Stamps

Guests: Holly Green, Henniker Conservation Commission Chairperson, Ian McSweeney of the Russell Foundation and Eric Masterson of the Piscataquog Land Conservancy

- Ian McSweeney outlined the program in which state controlled federal funds are being made available to property owners who have experienced documented flood damage within the past five years.  
With Ian's assistance, a Henniker property owner who is currently working with NRCS and is interested in putting his land into a conservation easement has submitted an application to the NH Office of the Department of Agriculture and should receive a response by mid-May.
- Plans were discussed for the March 7<sup>th</sup> meeting of property owners in the southwestern corner of Henniker at which Brian Hotz of the New Hampshire Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests will be the presenter.
- Eric Masterson of the Piscataquog Land Conservancy presented a copy of the Goffstown Open Space Plan. Currently conservation topics are included in Henniker's master plan. The need for a separate open space plan for Henniker will be on the April 15<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Conservation Commission (CC).
- Denise informed the committee of a proposed natural resource study for lots 98, 47 & 50 that will be completed by John Stark Regional High School students and faculty in partnership with the Conservation Commission in the coming year in preparation for a presentation at the 2010 town meeting. The CC will discuss the project at its next meeting.
- The minutes of the January 5<sup>th</sup> were read and accepted as written.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

The next regularly scheduled meeting date is May 4<sup>th</sup> at **7:15 PM** in the Grange Hall

Respectfully submitted,  
Gail Beckett