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**Effingham Planning Board**  
**April 25, 2013**

**Members Present:** Jory Augenti, George Bull, Joanna Bull, Bill Piekut, Paul Potter, Henry Spencer, Gary Jewell  
Minutes recorded by Dianne Park

Meeting called to order at 6:35pm

**Master Plan - Natural Resources Chapter**

The board went through the Natural Resources Chapter of the Master Plan page by page making changes where necessary. At 6:50pm Henry left for a meeting at the library on Capital Improvements. Joanna announced the date of June 12, 2013 at 6:30pm for the presentation on bats by Kamal.

**Changes made:**

**Section 7.2.1**, second paragraph, change ‘Cumberland County’ to ‘York County’

**Section 7.2.1**, second paragraph, change ‘underlays’ to ‘overlays’

**Section 7.2.3**, fourth paragraph, change ‘Mastin Brook’ to ‘Marstin Brook, and add ‘Peavy Brook and Stevens Brook after Wilkinson Brook.

**Section 7.4** - George will put together this section.

**Section 7.5.1.2**, under ‘Types of Peatlands are: ‘change formatting to read:  
‘Bogs, which receive’  
‘Fens, which are’  
‘Peat, which are’

**Section 7.5.1.2**, remove the sentence ‘Only the spotted turtle was observed in Effingham.’

**Section 7.5.1.4**, second paragraph, change formatting to read:  
‘-Wet meadows, which are’  
‘-Marshes, which contain’  
‘-Shrub wetlands, which are’

**Section 7.5.1.4**, second paragraph, Change ‘Shrub wetlands are thickets of shrubs and young trees growing out of wet soils and these areas often flood in the spring.’ To: ‘-Shrub wetlands, which are thickets of shrubs and young trees growing out of wet soils. These areas often flood in the spring.’

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**Section 7.5.1.4**, capitalize ‘Wetlands’ in the heading ‘Wet Meadow/Shrub Wetlands are important’

**Section 7.5.1.5**, fourth paragraph, last sentence, change ‘the only’ to ‘a’

**Section 7.5.1.9**, fourth paragraph, change to read: ‘Shrublands are important because of the dense growth which provides the best possible cover for wildlife. The shrubs and young trees provide an abundance of fruits and berries, eaten by many birds and animals.’

**Section 7.5.2**, delete from the last sentence ‘in the reference section of this chapter.’

**Section 7.5.3**, fourth paragraph, delete the last two sentences that read: ‘This is an opportunity in the future to add conservation land to these existing areas to create larger high ranking habitat areas. These high ranking areas also coincide with the wildlife conservation priority map areas shown on figure 7.’

**Section 7.6**, first paragraph, change ‘Since this is a stocked river, fishing is a popular pastime here. Fishing can also be found at the Hutchins Pond, Pine River, Ossipee River and Ossipee Lake. To: ‘Fishing is a popular pastime.’

### **Section 7.7 Natural Resources Goals**

The board decided to review these goals separately and discuss at the next meeting. A discussion ensued on Prime Wetlands vs. Exemplary Wetlands.

Work Session adjourned at 7:55pm.