



## ◊ North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission ◊

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Gordon Myers, Executive Director

### **Pittsboro Board of Commissioners July 27, 2015 Meeting Agenda Item Information**

Dear Mayor Terry and Commissioners,

In December of 2012, the Board of Commissioners signed a resolution of support for the Planning Tools for Pittsboro project with a stated interest in gaining information and recommendations on how to protect natural resources in Pittsboro through land use planning and policies. We have made a lot of progress on the project, thanks to your support and that of the Town staff. We are excited to share some of this information with you today.

The Conservation Ordinance Review Committee has been meeting every other week for the past 6 months to develop recommendations for ordinance language to help protect high priority natural areas and tree canopy in the town and its extra-territorial jurisdiction. My presentation tonight will not be able to delve into all the details of these recommendations, but I hope to give you a sense of the tremendous effort this committee put forth to develop these recommendations. Catherine Deininger will be presenting more information at the August 3<sup>rd</sup> Planning Board Meeting, we hope that you will be able to attend this meeting to learn more about the committee's recommendations. It will also be useful to set-up a work session to review the full scope of the ordinance recommendations; committee members could be present to answer questions.

Items included in agenda packet:

Summary documents for the following components of the Planning Tools for Pittsboro project:

- Summary of the Natural Resource Conservation Ordinance for Pittsboro
- Regulatory Strategies to Incorporate Green Infrastructure for North Carolina
- Summary of the Biodiversity and Wildlife Habitat Assessment for Pittsboro, NC
- Summary Report of Pittsboro, NC: Land Cover Change Analysis and Urban Tree Canopy Assessment

To be handed out at meeting:

- Recommendations for Implementing a Tree Protection Ordinance in the Town of Pittsboro
- Recommendations for Implementing a Natural Resource Conservation Ordinance

Submitted by: Catherine Deininger, Biocenosis; Brooke Massa, NC Wildlife Resources Commission

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brooke Massa".

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