



**Town of Camden
Select Board Meeting
October 28, 2014 – 6:30 PM
Washington Street Conference Room**

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Call to Order

Convene as Wastewater Commissioners

- A. Appointment of Interim Wastewater Treatment Superintendent

Adjourn

Convene as Select Board

1. Appointment of Tax Collector
2. Communications, Presentations, and Recognitions
 - a) Camden Windjammer Festival
 - b) Toboggan Nationals “Down the Chute” West Bay Rotary Club event
 - c) Report of the Police Chief regarding Cuzzy’s
 - d) Request to apply for Recreational Trail Development Grant (Riverwalk)
3. Citizen Comments (for items *not* on the agenda)
This time is set aside for members of the public to comment on any town-related issue that is not on the agenda. We ask that people keep comments within 3 minutes
4. Approval of Select Board Minutes dated October 7, 2014
5. Select Board Member Reports
6. Town Manager Report
7. New Business
 - A. Appointment of John Arnold as a regular member of CEDAC
 - B. Confirmation of new Camden Public Library Trustee, Dennis McGuirk and re-appointment of Leslie Curtis, both of Camden.
 - C. Request by the Camden Conservation Commission to use \$400 in reserve funds

Adjourn

Next Select Board Meeting: November 18

Office of:

Town Manager
Tax Assessor
Tax Collector
Town Clerk
Treasurer
Code Officer
Finance Director
Harbor Clerk



Town Office

P.O. Box 1207
29 Elm Street
Camden, Maine 04843
Phone (207)236-3353
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<http://www.camdenmaine.gov>

WE, the **WASTEWATER COMMISSIONERS** of the Town of Camden, County of Knox, State of Maine, hereby reappoint the following individual to the indicated position for the Town of Camden until July 1, 2015:

Sheldon Main

Interim Superintendent of
Wastewater Department
(Article V, §7 of Town Charter)

Dated: October 28, 2014

Martin Cates, Chairperson

Donald A. White, Jr., Vice Chairperson

James Heard, Secretary

John French

Leonard Lookner

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I, Patricia Finnigan, Town Manager for the Town of Camden, Maine, Knox County, State of Maine, hereby appoint the following individual to the indicated position for the Town of Camden until July 1, 2015 in accordance with Article III, §2(e) of the Town Charter.

Brenda Fisher

Tax Collector

Dated: October 28, 2014

Patricia Finnigan, Town Manager

WE, the Select Board of the Town of Camden, Maine, Knox County, State of Maine, hereby confirm the appointment listed above until July 1, 2015, for the Town of Camden, said appointment having been made by Patricia Finnigan, Town Manager of Camden, Maine.

Dated: October 28, 2014

Martin Cates, Chairperson

Donald A. White, Jr., Vice Chairperson

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To: Board of Assessors'

From: Beth Doan, Administrative Asst, Assessors' Office

Date: October 28, 2014

Re: Property Tax Abatement/Supplemental Requests

The attached abatement requests represent four Property Owners with valuation errors. Each request has an explanation of the individual issues.

The attached supplemental tax request is the result of a missed split property transfer.

Total Abatement = \$3,240.25

Total Supplemental = \$3,824.67

**Town of Camden
Assessors' Office
Tax Abatement**

Name: Thomas A. and Carrie F. Hedstrom

Date: 10/28/2014

Mailing Address: 24 Mt. Battie Street, Camden, ME 04843

Reason: Assessment Error

Comments: Homeowner claims building was demolished before April 1, 2014

Year	Real	Personal	Account #	Map & Lot
2014-2015	\$698.41	X	748RE 7 Mt. Battie St.	114-131

Totals: \$698.41

Posted By:

Date Posted:

Approved by Board of Assessors:

SIGN HERE

Date:

_____ Tax Collector

_____ Bookkeeping

_____ Assessor

A01
2014-2015

**Town of Camden
Assessors' Office
Tax Abatement**

Name: John B. Scholz
Margaret E. Barclay

Date: 10/28/2014

Mailing Address: P O Box 1091, Camden, ME 04843

Reason: Assessment Error

Comments: Building was demolished before April 1, 2014

Year	Real	Personal	Account #	Map & Lot
2014-2015	\$559.88	X	2955RE	227-100
			375 Hosmer Pond Rd.	

Totals: \$559.88

Posted By:

Date Posted:

Approved by Board of Assessors:

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Date:

_____ Tax Collector

_____ Bookkeeping

_____ Assessor

A02
2014-2015

**Town of Camden
Assessors' Office
Tax Abatement**

Name: John H. Claussen
Ellen S. Claussen

Date: 10/28/2014

Address: 30 Stonehurst Drive, Camden, ME 04843

Reason: Assessment Error

Comments: Undocumented land value increase, could not be corroborated.

Year	Real	Personal	Account #	Map & Lot
2014-2015	\$1,222.22	X	2199RE 78 Bay View Street	125-8

Totals: \$1,222.22

Posted By:

Date Posted:

Approved by Board of Assessors:

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Date:

_____ Tax Collector

_____ Bookkeeping

_____ Assessor

A03
2014-2015

Town of Camden
Assessors' Office
Tax Abatement

Name: John Griffith
Julia Porter

Date: 10/28/2014

Address: 11 Wilogreen Rd., Natick, MA 01760

Reason: Assessment Error

Comments: Incorrect acreage assessed.

Year	Real	Personal	Account #	Map & Lot
2014-2015	\$759.74	X	2038RE	123-18
			25 Neillehaven Drive	

Totals: \$759.74

Posted By:

Date Posted:

Approved by Board of Assessors:

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Date:

_____ Tax Collector

_____ Bookkeeping

_____ Assessor

A04
2014-2015

TOWN OF CAMDEN
SUPPLEMENTAL TAX WARRANT
Title 36 M.R.S.A. Section 713

WE, the undersigned, Assessors of the Municipality of Camden, hereby certify that the foregoing list of estates and assessments thereon, recorded in page 1 to 480 of this book, were omitted by mistake from our original invoice and valuation and list of assessments of the 23rd day of September, 2014; that these lists are supplemental to the aforesaid original invoice, valuation and list of assessments of said 23rd day of September, 2014, and are made by virtue of Title 36 M.R.S.A., Section 713, as amended.

Given under our hands this 28th day of October, 2014.

SIGN HERE

ASSESSORS OF CAMDEN:

NOTE: This form to be attached to the inside of the commitment book.

TOWN OF CAMDEN
SUPPLEMENTAL TAX WARRANT
Title 36 M.R.S.A. Section 713

County of KNOX, ss.

To Brenda Fisher, Tax Collector of the Municipality of Camden,

With said County of KNOX.

Hereby are committed to you a true list of the assessments of estates of the persons hereinafter named. You are hereby directed to levy and collect each of the several persons named in said list his respective portion, therein set down of the sum of

Three thousand, Eight hundred, Twenty-four dollars and Sixty-seven Cents

It being the amount of said list; and all powers of the previous warrant for the collection of taxes issued by us to you and dated **September 23, 2014** are extended thereto; and we do hereby certify that the list of assessments of the estates of the persons named in said list is a supplemental assessment laid by virtue of Title 36, M.R.S.A., Section 713, as amended, and that the estates and assessments thereon as set forth in said list were omitted by mistake from the original list committed unto you under our warrant dated **September 23, 2014**.

Given under our hands this **28th day of October, 2014**.

SIGN HERE

ASSESSORS OF CAMDEN:

NOTE: This form to be submitted to the Tax Collector with the Supplemental Tax List.

Supplemental Tax Commitment - \$14.43
2014-2015 Tax Year

Account	Name & Address	Land	Building	Exemption	Assessment	Personal Property	Tax
	The First, NA P O Box 940 Damariscotta, ME 04543 Neillehaven Dr 123-018 BK 4645 PG 81	265,050	0	0	265,050	0	\$3,824.67



Camden Police Department

31 Washington St.

Camden, Maine 04843

911 Emergency

(207) 236-3030 – Calls for Service

(207)236-7967 – Administrative Assistant

(207) 236-7962 – Fax

Randy M. Gagne
Chief of Police

Jeff Sukeforth
Administration

To: Patricia Finnigan, Town Manager

October 22, 2014

Fr: Chief Randy Gagne

Re: 90 day review of Cuzzy's

Patricia,

Below is a breakdown of the Police activities in the first 90 days of the Cuzzy's Restaurant license and special amusement renewal period.

Administrative checks to see if the deck was closed at 11:00 pm as part of the conditions of the renewal have been conducted. Officers have responded nightly to assure these conditions are being met. A total of 86 checks have been completed. Officers noted NO Violations of the 11:00 closing time. Officers have also checked for other types of violations including intoxicated patrons and various other liquor law violations and have reported none.

A total of six "Nuisance" complaints have been filed during the 90 day period. Of those six, five complaints were filed prior to 11:00 PM and involved noise from the deck area. None of those were music related.

A total of 8 "Miscellaneous" complaints were also filed. These included three instances of customers refusing to leave after being asked to by Cuzzy's staff. As requested, the police department was called and removed these subjects. An Officer conducted a bail check of a Patron who was not found in violation. A burglary was also investigated. Several spot administrative violation checks were also conducted with no violations found.

During this period it was also noted that there may be a conflict with the current law regarding smoking in the deck area of the establishment. I made contact with Maine Liquor Enforcement asking if they would look at this and see if it was a violation as service was not being provided in this area.

The ruling was that smoking was not allowed on the deck area. I notified Chris Cousins of the ruling and he immediately posted the area "No Smoking" as prescribed by law.

I have stayed in contact with Chris over this period and we have had several discussions about the deck situation. Chris has been willing to do research and purchase equipment so that he may hopefully open his deck once again on a regular basis.

Looking back in the department's data base finds historically most of the "Nuisance" related complaints for Cuzzy's were generated from the Bayview Street area. Current year 2014, is the only year that Chestnut St. has exceeded Bayview St. complaints. I searched back to 2010 and compiled the following data:

Nuisance Complaints

2010:

Bayview St.	19	Chestnut St.	6
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2011:

Bayview St.	21	Chestnut St.	1
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2012:

Bayview St.	6	Chestnut St.	0
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2013:

Bayview St.	9	Chestnut St.	0
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2014:

Bayview St.	7	Chestnut St.	8
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It is the opinion of the department that Cuzzy's has met the special restrictions which were levied upon the operation during this time period. The department will continue to conduct administrative checks and provide follow up with the owner concerning issues which may arise.

Randy Gagne
Chief of Police
Camden, Maine



Town of Camden
Select Board Meeting
October 7, 2014 – 6:30 pm
Washington Street Conference Room

PRESENT: Chairperson Martin Cates, John French, Jr., James Heard, Leonard Lookner, Donald White, and Town Manager Finnigan. Also present were members of the press and public.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm.

2. Communications, Presentations, and Recognitions

A. The Community Institute – Jane LaFleur

Jane LaFleur, Executive Director of Friends of Midcoast Maine, spoke to the Board about her organization's "Community Institute", an instructional program on community planning. She said that the first session called "Streets, Places and People" would be held in Camden at the Opera House on October 30-31. LaFleur asked the Select Board for permission to use/close a portion of the Public Landing for a class project based on the concepts in the Public Landing Master Plan. She said she'd spoken about the project to the Planning Board, Harbor Committee, CEDAC and the Downtown Network Board.

White made a motion to allow the Community Institute to close a portion of the Public Landing on Friday, October 31 for a class project from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. provided the public has access to the harbor at all time. The motion was seconded by Heard. It was unanimously approved.

B. Fire Department Update – Chief Chris Farley

Fire Chief Farley told the Board it was National Fire Prevention Week and provided an update on department activities. The department had had 351 calls since Jan. 1, he said. Farley described an upcoming training to be held October 27 and said they are still needing to recruit firefighters for the department.

C. Ragged Mountain Redevelopment Update – Landon Fake

Parks and Recreation Director Landon Fake updated the Board on the Snow Bowl Redevelopment and introduced Tom Wells of Royal Trail Works. Fake said that the trail work led by Wells' crew was 99.9% complete and that tower work was also making good progress. Expansion of the pump house was underway, he said.

Fake said that the Planning Board had recently approved the proposed lighting plan. Lighting costs had been under-budgeted, he explained, noting that bids had come in at around \$400,000 for the lighting, which was four times the budgeted amount. The erosion issues (engineering and related trail work) had accounted for increased expenditures as well, Fake told the Board, contributing to a \$500,000 cost overrun. He said that the fundraising committee has been aware of this and is committed to raising the additional funds. He said

that due to costs, a decision had been made not to light the Northeaster trail which would have added \$180,000 to the costs.

Finnigan told the group that an incredible team effort has made the current progress possible. She thanked Tom Wells and his crew for all their efforts, as well as the entire Snow Bowl staff for their dedication in managing a very complex project.

3. Citizen Comments

Dorie Klein read a letter written by her husband Dana Strout, President of the Hosmer Pond Association. She then spoke about safety on the 22 Tacks Trail at the Snow Bowl.

John Scholz, VP of the Hosmer Pond Association, spoke to the Board to express his disagreement with some of the points in Strout's letter.

Board Comments

James Heard said it would be a good idea to discuss events held at the Snow Bowl that could cause concern in the neighborhood. He also told the Board that he would like to revisit the need for a public hearing on the Harbor Committee recommendation regarding limiting the construction of new piers. Previous events around the scheduling of a public hearing were reviewed. Heard asked that this discussion be put on the next agenda.

French said that as part of the discussion he would like to look at the question of the rights of landowners, adding that specific information would need to be gathered prior to a public hearing so that the public can be properly informed. Finnigan said the information would be available by the end of October.

Lookner reviewed a section of the minutes from a Board meeting in May regarding the hearing issue, where the Board had voted to hold a public hearing on July 15. White clarified that during a workshop the Board had decided to postpone the public hearing until information could be gathered on the potential impact that the recommendation could have on property valuations and property taxes collected. French noted there may have been a procedural error in that the Board should have voted at the following Select Board meeting to postpone the hearing as had been decided by the Board during the workshop.

Cates said that the item could be included on the next Board agenda for discussion and added that a valuation study would be initiated so that the community understands the issues.

4. Town Manager Report

Finnigan clarified previous comments regarding the Ragged Mountain Redevelopment Project raised by Strout's letter. She said that Town staff are all aware of and sensitive to the situation of neighbors living near the Snow Bowl with regard to lighting, and that the group had done exhaustive research on the fixtures to be installed. Finnigan also responded to comments about a manure smell and clarified that they are spreading hay on the mountain, not manure.

The Town Manager said that they had had a successful visit by the DEP who were pleased with what they saw at the Snow Bowl.

Regarding the proposed Harbor Committee public hearing, the Town Manager reminded everyone that people are acting with good will and that the Select Board Chair had told the Chair of the Harbor Committee that the Board decided they needed additional information before proceeding with a public hearing to amend the Harbor Ordinance.

5. Approval of Select Board Minutes dated September 23, 2014

White made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 23, 2014 meeting. The motion was seconded by French. It was unanimously approved.

6. Select Board Member Reports

White reported on Planning Board activities. He said that a decision on the installation of the wireless communication system on the smokestack had been postponed. He also spoke about the Business Opportunity Zone and the recent art show/book sale event held at the Library.

Lookner noted that absentee voting had begun and spoke about the Tannery vote.

Heard reviewed the recent election of Harbor Committee officers.

Cates told the group that CEDAC had held a special meeting to talk about the upcoming Tannery vote and had voted to submit a letter from the Committee. He read the letter drafted by Robin McIntosh on behalf of CEDAC, encouraging voters to keep options open for a balanced approach to the Tannery site that could include putting it back on the tax roles.

Tom Resek spoke in favor of park/open space in reference to the Tannery vote.

Steve Gold talked about the Harbor Committee recommendation and its effect on property values. He also commented on the ambulance proposal with regard to the Millville neighborhood.

8. New Business

A. Public Hearings

1) Robert & Karen Brace, Trustees of the Harbor Edge at 25 Harbor Road to construct a residential pier in the Coastal Residential Zone

Will Gartley of Gartley & Dorsky described details of the proposed pier on Harbor Road, saying it met all standards in the ordinance. There were questions from the Board on the depth of the water in that location and whether it could be a hazard to navigation.

Sandy Welte of the Harbor Committee told the Board that the proposal had not been recommended the Harbor Committee. He also said that the Harbor Committee had not been informed about the postponement of the public hearing to address the issue.

There was discussion about a moratorium on piers in Sherman's Cove. Steve Gold said that the Harbor Committee had opposed the current pier proposal not because they don't want piers but because of existing sections in the ordinance.

Comments were closed to the floor and opened to the Board.

French said that he was in favor of the proposal moving forward because it meets the ordinance requirements.

The Select Board went through a finding of fact to review the criteria in the Harbor Ordinance, Article VI, Section 7 subsection F.2 "Outer Harbor and Coastal Harbor" as follows:

A) French made a motion that the Select Board finds that the proposed pier does not interfere with, or pose a hazard to, the navigational channels between the Inner Harbor and the bay and from the public vessel ramp to the main channel. The motion was seconded by White. It was approved by a vote of 3-2, (Heard and Lookner opposed).

B) French made a motion that the Select Board finds that the proposed pier does not eliminate or interfere with existing and designated mooring and anchorage areas and access thereto. The motion was seconded by White. It was approved by a vote of 3-2, (Heard and Lookner opposed).

C) French made a motion that the Select Board finds that the proposed pier does not reduce or interfere with existing shell fishing and clamming areas, and access thereto. The motion was seconded by White. It was approved by a vote of 3-2, (Heard and Lookner opposed).

D) French made a motion that the Select Board finds that the proposed pier does not interfere with public vessel launching and pier facilities. The motion was seconded by White. It was approved by a vote of 3-2, (Heard and Lookner opposed).

E) French made a motion that the Select Board finds that the proposed pier does not block or interfere with public rights of passage and uses of the shores and flats. The motion was seconded by White. It was approved by a vote of 3-2, (Heard and Lookner opposed).

F) French made a motion that the Select Board finds that the proposed pier does not adversely affect small recreational boating activities. The motion was seconded by White. It was approved by a vote of 3-2, (Heard and Lookner opposed).

French made a motion that the Select Board finds that the applicant meets the requirements of the Harbor Ordinance and that the Board approves the application to construct a pier. The motion was seconded by White.

Discussion: Lookner asked if there had been testimony that the clam flats and small boat traffic would not be affected. Gartley said they had submitted pictures to the necessary agencies for their review and that site visits had been conducted. He also noted that Steve Pixley had been asked about the affect on navigation and had said that the pier would not impede the operation of small crafts in the harbor.

John Scholz also spoke on a matter related to the pier.

The motion was approved by a vote of 3-2, (Heard and Lookner opposed).

- 2) **Peter Ott's at 16 Bay View Landing for a Class XI Malt, Spirituous, and Vinous Liquor License**
- 3) **Peter Ott's at 16 Bay View Landing for a Special Amusement Permit**

French made a motion to approve the liquor license and special amusement permit for Peter Ott's at 16 Bay View Landing. The motion was seconded by White. It was unanimously approved.

B. Consideration of whether to rent or lease any of the commercial passenger vessel float space or berthing slips for the upcoming year (Harbor Ordinance Article V Section 3)

French made a motion to seek applications to lease commercial passenger vessel float space for the 2015 season. The motion was seconded by White. It was unanimously approved.

C. Confirmation of new Camden Public Library Trustees, Lyle Rigg and Jean White, both of Camden

White made a motion to confirm the appointment of Lyle Rigg and Jean White to the Camden Public Library Trustees. The motion was seconded by French. It was unanimously approved.

D. Appointment of the Town Manager to the Mid-Coast Economic Development District (MCEDD) General Assembly

White made a motion to appoint the Town Manager to the Mid-Coast Economic Development District General Assembly. The motion was seconded by French. It was unanimously approved.

E. Set date for second meeting in October: October 28

The Town Manager said that PopTech would be using the Select Board's meeting room the week of October 20th so the next meeting would have to be postponed a week.

French made a motion to set the next Select Board meeting for October 28. The motion was seconded by White. It was unanimously approved.

French made a motion to hold only one Select Board meeting during November, on the 18th. The motion was seconded by Lookner. It was unanimously approved.

Adjourn

White made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by French. It was unanimously approved and the Board adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Brace, Recording Secretary



Camden Public Library
55 Main Street
Camden, Maine 04843

Phone: 207-236-3440
Fax: 207-236-6673
www.librarycamden.org

October 17, 2014

Camden Select Board
Camden Town Office
Camden, ME 04843

Dear Select Board,

We respectfully ask the Select Board to confirm our newest Camden Public Library Trustee, Dennis McGuirk, of Camden. He was elected by the Board of Trustees at their most recent meeting in October. We also ask that you renew Leslie Curtis, current Trustee, for her second term.

The current list of Trustees is as follows:

Kate Bates (secretary)
Dan Cheever (vice-president)
Leslie Curtis
John Fitzgerald (president)
Susan Flynn
Jean Freedman-White

Claudia Griffiths
Deborah Jordan (treasurer)
Mik Mikkelsen
Lyle Rigg
Amy Rollins
Claire Sanford

Thank you for consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Nikki Maounis
Library Director

Camden Conservation Commission
Town of Camden
29 Elm Street
Camden, ME 04843

September 4, 2014

Select Board
Town of Camden
29 Elm Street
Camden, ME 04843

RE: Request for use of reserve funds

Dear Chairman Cates and members of the Select Board:

The Camden Conservation Commission (herein the Commission) requests the use of reserve funds allocated to it in E56-01-40-04 Reserve Account, in the amount of \$400. During the past year, the Commission has sponsored monthly nature walks (see attachment). These walks are popular, with 20-25 individuals showing up each time. The Commission would now like to be able to invite an outside expert to join some of the walks, in order to share his/her expertise. The Commission would offer the experts a \$50 honorarium plus cover their travel expenses. The Commission requests funds for the payment of six honoraria plus estimated expenses. The Commission approved this request at its meeting on September 3, 2014.

It is the Commission's view that it can further its obligations under Maine Revised Statutes Title 30-A §3261 by promoting these walks and involving the public in the importance of preserving natural resources. In such a way also, the Commission gathers information from the public, which information then informs its decisions. This interaction supports "Community Conservation", a term that has become increasingly relevant among land trusts and other conservation organizations.

In conclusion, because the Commission hopes but cannot guarantee that these walks will continue year in and year out, it is felt that using funds from its Reserve Account is appropriate, as this expense may be non-recurring.

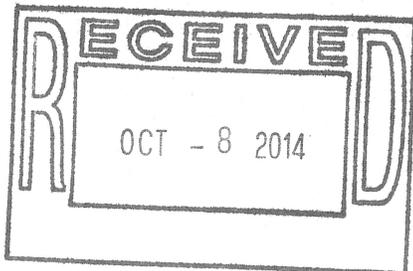
Thank you so much for consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Douglas M. Johnson

10/7/14

Doug Johnson, Chairman, Camden Conservation Commission



SOCIAL

Explore Ducktrap Harbor at naturalist walk

LINCOLNVILLE — Interested in learning about birds, seashore life, trees, animal tracks and other areas of natural history? Coastal Mountains Land Trust and the Camden Conservation Commission have teamed up to co-sponsor monthly natural history walks in the Camden area.

Walks occur the first weekend of each month. March's walk will take place

Saturday, March 1, noon to 2 p.m. at Howe Point and in the adjacent Murray-Webster Preserve.

Howe Point is at the end of Howe Point Road. Head north from Camden on Route 1 and travel 1 mile north of Lincolnville Beach on your right. Howe Point Road is just south of the Ducktrap River. Carpool if possible; parking is limited at the end of the road. Howe Point is a spectacular place

to view seabirds, so bring binoculars, if available.

The naturalist walks explore Land Trust preserves and other local hiking spots to encourage natural history discussions and education. Participants should come prepared for an outdoor excursion, easy to moderate in pace. Snowshoes may be helpful if there is a recent snowstorm. Please leave dogs at home. March's walk

will be facilitated by area naturalist Gary Gulezian and will encourage experts and amateurs to discuss and share their knowledge of natural history.

Advance registration is not necessary. To learn more and to find notices of location, last minute changes and/or cancellation, visit Coastal Mountains Land Trust's Events Calendar page at coastalmountains.org.

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Thursday, February 27, 2014 **19**

Walk with Naturalist on Preserve Near Ducktrap River March 1

Coastal Mountains Land Trust (CMLT) and the Camden Conservation Commission will cohost a walk, led by naturalist Gary Gulezian, on Howe Point and the adjacent Murray-Webster Preserve from noon to 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 1. Parking, at the end of the Howe Point Road, just north of Lincolnville Beach, is limited, so carpooling is recommended.

Howe Point is noted for seabird viewing, and binoculars are recommended. Participants should come prepared for

an outdoor excursion, easy to moderate in pace. Snowshoes may be helpful if there has been a recent storm. Leave dogs at home. Advance registration is not required.

The hike is one in a series of walks, cosponsored by CMLT and the Commission, held on the first weekend of each month in Land Trust preserves and other hiking areas to encourage natural history education. For more information, including locations, changes or cancellations, visit www.coastalmountains.org or call 236-7091.