

Dover Open Space Committee

Minutes

September 8, 2009 – Town House

Attendance: Members: Justine Kent-Uritam, Chair, Rich Oasis, Sierra Bright, Paul Angelico, Andy Thompson, Catherine White, Boynton Glidden, Henry Faulkner, and Amey Moot. **Others:** Carol Lisbon (Selectmen) and Jerry Arnold (Long Range Planning) **Absent:** Jane Brace

- Justine began the meeting at 7:35pm
- Rich volunteered as rotating clerk for the meeting.
- We reviewed the minutes of June 16, 2009 and agreed to eliminate one sentence pertaining to Article 97. The minutes were then approved unanimously. Boynton will revise and submit to the town.
- Henry provided feedback from his meeting with the Planning Board. The Planning Board sets the guidelines for the Sidewalk Policy. They are in favor of Open Space Housing and they administer the Scenic Road Act. The Planning Board also supports efforts to make trail easements more accessible through better marking.
- At our October meeting we will get updates on our conversations with: Dover School Committee (Andy), DS Regional School Committee (Sierra), Dover Library (Amey), Dover Recycling (Amey), and Dover Fire Department (Justine).
- Gino is updating the Open Space Plan with easement information provided by The Army Corp of Engineers. Parks and Rec will provide a handicap accessible plan for Caryl. The initial Open Space plan, draft goals and five year action plan is scheduled for November with public meetings and a final plan in the spring.
- Tad Staley of Needham spoke about the Rails for Trails program. At this point, they are just in the exploratory phase. The Boston Metropolitan Planning Organization needs letters of interest from all three towns initially involved (Needham, Dover, and Medfield) to do a feasibility study. Selectmen from both Needham and Medfield have already agreed. Todd will pursue this issue directly with Carol and the Dover Board of Selectmen.
- Justine spoke about the disposition of land on Wilsondale. Ed Dennison recommended keeping it as open space. Open Space agreed to go with Ed's recommendation. A motion to accept Ed's recommendation to the Board Of Selectmen in 6/09 that the land on Wilsondale be kept as open space was passed unanimously.
- Catherine noted that the boundaries have not been marked and some trail markings need to be revisited for Wylde Woods have not been marked. Paul agreed to get approval from the ConCom to allow Open Space to mark these trails.

- Our next three meetings are scheduled for the first Tuesday of every month: October 6th, November 3rd, and December 1st.
- The meeting was adjourned at 9pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Oasis