

Open Space Committee

Minutes

October 5, 2010

Place: Board of Selectmen Room, Town House

Attendance:

Present: Sworn In Members: Justine Kent-Uritam (Chair), Boynton Glidden, Candace McCann, Amey Moot, Christophe Oliver, and Andy Thompson. Not Sworn In Members: Catherine White (Vice Chair), Sierra Bright, and Rich Oasis. Liaison: Carol Lisbon of the Board of Selectmen.

Absent: Members: Jane Brace and Henry Faulkner.

Justine began the meeting at 7:30 PM.

I. Introduction of Members

II. Establishment of Quorum. Six Members of the OSC have been sworn in. Thus, a quorum exists. The other members agreed to go to the Town Clerk for swearing in soon.

III. Update of Addresses and Email Accounts

IV. Election of Chair and Vice Chair. Upon the motion of Boynton, with a second by Amey, the slate of Justine as Chair and Catherine as Vice Chair was unanimously approved by Boynton, Justine, Candace, Amey, Christophe, and Andy. Since Catherine, Sierra, and Rich were not yet sworn in, they abstained.

V. New Open Meeting Laws Reviewed

VI. Chapter 61 B Property. The Board of Selectmen (BOS) has received informal contact that the Ch 61B Porter property may become available for sale soon. The Board wanted direction as to whether or not the town should try to acquire the property. The OSC reviewed a GPS prepared by TTOR in July 2010 that showed the affected property and its abutter. By a unanimous vote, the sworn in OSC Members urged the BOS to try to preserve the property as open space.

VII. DCR Trail at Medfield State Forest Land in Dover. Candace updated the OSC about the ConCom's decision to give DCR, at the request of the Regional Schools, permission to install planking across wetlands on the Medfield State Forest land in Dover in order to improve a trail for runners.

VIII. Deer Hunting and the Reduction of Lyme Disease. Boynton updated the OSC about the Board of Health's decision to permit bow and arrow deer hunting from stationary blinds on selected properties from October 18 to December 31, 2010 in the hopes of reducing Lyme disease among residents by culling the deer in town. Carol noted that details about this program are on the town's website.

IX. Establishment of OSC Members Portfolios

- A. Playing Fields – Rich
- B. Hale Reservation – Catherine
- C. Bay Colony Rail Trail – Christophe
- D. Public Walks - Amey
- E. Reach Out to Landowners – Justine

X. Next Meeting Dates

*Tuesday, Nov 2, 2010 at 7:30 PM at Town House– OSC Members to Review the 2010 Open Space Plan

*Tuesday, Dec. 7, 2010 at 7:30 PM at Town House

Justine adjourned the meeting at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Justine Kent-Uritam