

DOVER OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE
Minutes for September 8th, 2015

Attendees: Amey Moot (Chair), Mark Bush, Boynton Glidden, Henry Faulkner, Justine Kent-Uritam, Candace McCann, Jerry Arnold, Tara Nolan (guest)
Absent: Paul Wood, Eric Loeffler, Barbara Roth-Schechter, Dick Wood

Location: Selectmen's Meeting Room, Dover Town Hall

Amey called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM

I. Approval of minutes of prior meetings

Amey introduced a motion to approve the minutes of the June 2nd meeting, seconded by Mark. The motion was approved unanimously by all in attendance.

II. New Member

There was a brief discussion regarding the need to fill the recently vacated open seat, along with a need to fill Conservation Commission member position. Justine introduced Tara Nolan, who expressed interest in joining the OSC. Amey will ask the Conservation Commissioners whether any of them would like to join the OSC. If not, Amey would represent the Conservation Commission and the OSC would find another member from the general public.

III. Chapter 61A Notice from 67 Farm Street

The Committee reviewed the reasons for recommending that the Selectmen not exercise their right of first refusal on 67 Farm Street. The property lacks conservation/ ecological and recreation/ public access attributes as well as commanding a high price. Justine motioned and the Committee voted unanimously to approve, post facto, the memo written by Amey and submitted to the Board of Selectmen declining right of first refusal.

IV. Updates from Relevant Boards

A. Open Space Committee

- (1) PUBLIC WALKS: Amey reported moderate attendance in trail walks to date this year, reminding that upcoming autumnal excursions would be posted on the town's website, Boston.com, WickedLocal.com as well as posters.
- (2) LANDOWNER OUTREACH: Justine reiterated the constrained position of this issue at present, positing that the committee would develop strategies for 2016.
- (3) HALE RESERVATION: Amey described the upcoming event, the "Haleabration"
- (4) TTOR: Justine reintroduced the dynamics of the new TTOR logo, and the committee discussed the newly envisioned mission statement therein contained. Also discussed were the many and varied activities planned by TTOR for the fall.
- (5) DLCT: Boynton, Amey and Henry discussed the current posture of the Healer and Mumford properties on Pegan Hill, and the parameters surrounding the project to protect this land. Jerry reported Cheney Engineering had finalized drafts of the

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- Centre Street land to be donated to DLCT, which plans were to be reviewed by the board in their upcoming meeting.
- (6) UCCLT: Justine reported on the July 18th walk on the Upper Charles recreational trail with members of the Dover Greenway. She suggested that another site walk on this “work in progress” might be beneficial, particularly to demonstrate the trail surface, “packed stone dust”, an option for the trail being considered in Dover. Over the summer, Justine attended the retirement celebration for Irene Del Bono, a Natick resident and key conservation administrator in the MA Office of Energy & the Environment.
 - (7) NHC: Amey reminded of the upcoming Polo event being held at the Steeplechase in Medfield.
 - (8) MASS. AUDUBON “BROADMOOR”: Justine discussed the staff shuffle. They are still looking for a volunteer member for the Broadmoor Advisory Committee.

B. Board of Health

There was no discussion or update.

C. Conservation Commission

Jerry reviewed the installation of the “loop and spur” signs on the trails in Wylde Woods, but raised questions concerning their bright colors compared to the more muted ones currently in place. The committee agreed to review with Con Com assistance.

D. Planning Board

Henry advised that any updates circulating concerning 14 Dedham Street were to be viewed as “rumors only” at this point in time.

E. Parks and Recreation

There was no discussion or update.

F. Board of Selectmen

Candace confirmed the anticipated results and recommendations being presented by the Springdale Study Committee.

G. Springdale Study Committee

Amey will attend the meeting September 10th and encouraged others to come too.

Amey adjourned the meeting at 9:05 pm.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, October 6th at 7:30 PM in the Selectmen’s Meeting Room, Dover Town House

Respectfully Submitted,
Jerry Arnold