

*West Newbury Open Space Committee*

**Meeting Minutes – Final**

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Wednesday, April 21, 2021

7 p.m.

Please Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/8960752005>

Meeting ID: 896 075 2005

**Present:** John Dodge, Wendy Reed, Don Bourquard, Marlene Switzer, Jean Lambert,  
Brad Buschur, Patricia Reeser and Jessica Azenaro, scribe  
**Absent:** Marlene Switzer, Carol Decker  
**Guest:** Vanessa Johnson-Hall, Essex County Greenbelt

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Motion for Executive Session was called by J. Dodge, 2nd by D. Bourquard. Called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Motion to conclude Executive Session by P. Reeser, 2nd by D. Bourquard. Regular session resumes at 7:43 p.m.

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- 1) Request the draft report from Sam Joselin for an update or amendment to the Open Space Plan.
- 2) **Pentucket River Walk - Patricia**
  - a) Support habitat sanctuary that the Gulf of Maine is supporting.
  - b) A walk in the wet area (stream) between the Pentucket Regional High School and Middle School is full of spice bush in bloom, skunk cabbage.
  - c) Farm Lane - property acquisition from Barbara Burkenbush, between the construction fence and Pentucket 25 to 30 ft which leads directly to the stream environment and the river.
  - d) The school owns the riverfront. Short trail loop to ask permission to lay out from the school district.
  - e) Proposed Maintenance Garage, asphalt driveway and 60 x 90 metal building. Planning Board minutes research required for a contact name.
- 3) **Other Business - All**
  - a) Open Space Committee CPC membership discussion.
  - b) New OSC Members discussion.
  - c) Motion to approve amended March 17, 2021 and March 24, 2021 minutes made by J. Lambert, 2nd by J. Dodge. Motion approved unanimously.

The next meeting of the OSC will be Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

### **Addendum to Meeting Notice regarding Remote Participation**

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