

Open Space Minutes, 6/2/04

Attendees

Anne Madden	Dawne Fusco
Patricia Reeser	Mike Mokrzycki
Janet Thibeau	Don Bourquard
Jean Lambert	

Topics covered

- Approve minutes 5-5-04
- Reorganization of OSC
- Goals for 2004-2005
- Greenbelt acquires Cherry Hill parcel on Bachelor St.
- Ongoing project updates
- Next meeting

Approve minutes 5-5-04

We approved the minutes from the last meeting, dated 5-5-04

Reorganization of OSC

Voted : Anne Madden, Chair

Janet Thibeau, Vice Chair

Don Bourquard agreed to be the point person to review time sensitive submissions and plans from the Planning Board, and to notify the committee of issues that may need to be addressed before the next scheduled monthly meeting.

Goals for 2004-2005

We discussed our goals for the coming year and identified the following priorities:

- Finish work on easement language and the Land Bond Protocol
- Management of Town land, including management plan, stewardship of trails, etc.
- Trails, including inventory and map, management and volunteer recruitment
- Outreach, including website, Town newsletter and school use of open space, etc.
- Identify and clear rights of way, such as Archelaus, Hill Top, River Meadow, etc.
- Investigate Community Preservation Act
- Continue to try to improve communication between boards

Greenbelt acquires Cherry Hill parcel on Bachelor St.

Greenbelt has acquired 12.5 acres of property formerly owned by the Cherry Hill Corp. The parcel is located on Bachelor Street, map 7 parcel 20.

Ongoing project updates

The table below summarizes the committee's ongoing projects.

Project	Update	Next Steps
Easements	The Subcommittee is revising the easement language	Review at July OSC meeting
Hilltop Easement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OSC sent letter to BOS. Dick Cushing replied verbally that Town Counsel is confident that town has right to this way. 	<p>Annie to e-mail BOS requesting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a copy of the letter sent to Mr. Jarvis the assessment of the parcel be reviewed signs be put up for trails <p>At some point, parking at the top of Hilltop will be addressed.</p>
Land Bond Protocol	Subcommittee will continue review	Review at future OSC meeting
Website development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> domain names WestNewburyOpenSpace. net and .org have been setup site map is being developed OSC Plan will be up soon Voted Mike's expenditure for registering domain names 	Review at July OSC meeting
Apartment parking lot	Discussed continued concern about design impact on Page lawn. Project to be staked to better understand impact.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Don to contact Gary Bill about the staking timeframe OSC members to write to Selectman requesting a meeting to discuss the placement of the parking lot Janet to contact Liz Perry and Page School parents for input re: plan
Burnim parcel	Site walk was very informative. Deb Hamilton was interested in Daley, Murphy, Dunn, and Burnim for congregate housing for 45B and/or over 55	Monitor progress as needed
Cherry Hill: Richardson/Gerri	Annie wrote to owners requesting additional information	We will be receiving information regarding the square footage and elevation.
Cherry Hill: Madden	Annie wrote to owners requesting information regarding compliance with covenants. Mr. Madden assured us the building fulfills the covenants	Annie to follow up with Glenn Clohecy regarding the building plans.
Westford Conservation Trust	Meeting set for 6/8 at 7:30.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annie to post meeting and invite Planning Board. Don to invite trails committee.
Whitegate subdivision	Planning Board will discuss this 6/15.	Annie to write to Planning Board to express our long term vision of trail from

		Kimball to Isley Hill.
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Other

We agreed that we should check with Leigh Stoecker about Conservation Commission Trail signs.

We may want to plan a contest to create a logo for West Newbury Trail signs.

Next meeting

Our next meeting is Wednesday, July 2 at 7:30.