

Open Space Committee Minutes

May 16, 2012 (from approximately 7:30 to 9:00 PM)

Present: Steve Greason, Dawne Fusco, Jason Spaulding, Felicity Beech, Jennifer Germain, Jean Lambert, Patricia Reeser.

1. **Administrative Decisions** - Barry Lacroix had advised the Committee that other outside activities prevented him from continuing as Chairman. Steve Greason was elected unanimously by the voting members to serve as Chair of the Committee for the following year. Jason Spaulding indicated he was interested in membership on the Committee for the year starting 2013. Jason was urged to notify Kris Pyle. All other members with expiring terms indicated they were interested in renewing their terms and would so notify Kris Pyle.
2. **Daley Property East of Page School** - The Selectmen notified Barry that they had received notice that the Daley property to the east of Page School was going to be removed from 61A. The notice triggers a right of first refusal for the Town based on a process of appraisals, the same that the Town conducted for the Sullivan property. Discussion was had whether the Committee would recommend the Town pursue the right of first refusal. The Committee voted to recommend that the Board of Selectmen obtain an appraisal of the Property with the possibility of exercising a right of first refusal based on the proximity of the parcel to the school property, not because of open space values. Steve will notify Kris Pyle.
3. **Trails Update** - Trails subcommittee members reported on the Brake Hill trails. Steve has completed the layout and mapping for the Dunn trails and notified Mary Dunn of the plan to mark and open the trails system on the parcel. Steve reported that he had made good progress clearing the De Piero trail easement on Coffin Street. Steve updated the Committee on discussions with Mr. Gillis on the Ocean Meadows trails. Mr. Gillis agreed to allow work on the boardwalk to proceed.
4. **CPA Matters** - The Town Meeting vote on CPA was discussed. Steve volunteered to attend the CPC meeting to ask that the bylaw be changed to require an Open Space member to have a seat on the CPC and to volunteer the OSC website as a host for CPC information. Possible OSC projects that would qualify for CPC funding were discussed, including River Meadows dock project on the Open Space parcel.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Reeser