

OSC Minutes 1-21-09

Attending: Jennifer Germain, Chair; Steve Greason, Don Bourquard, Barry LaCroix, Annie Madden, Jean Lambert, Patricia Reeser

Scribe: Annie volunteered to take minutes

Minutes: The committee approved the minutes of the October and November meetings.

Budget 2010: The committee voted unanimously to request a budget of \$500 for FY 2010.

Speak of the Land: Annie presented a proposal to host an oral history and mapping project in April. We will gather with land owners, oral historians, and interested townspeople to recall the old place names about town, and to document these on a new map. Tom Horth of Newburyport has offered to assist and MVPC will be assisting with providing a base map. The committee agreed to sponsor this even and we targeted April 25th, 2009, Saturday, 10-12 for the event. Patricia will communicate with the Historical Society. Annie will reserve a room, contact the press and work up a flyer.

Sullivan Property: Jen shared that this 37 acre piece is back on the market, listed at \$3,950,000. Jen will contact the BOS to find out how far they went with investigating this property for municipal or other use. Patricia agreed to draft an OSC letter to the BOS informing them of the particular significance of this parcel.

Website: Steve Greason reviewed the terrific improvements that he has made to the OSC website. We discussed recommendations for further improvements. Jen agreed to do a press release to publicize this new source of information for the town.

Maps for OS&R Plan: Don reviewed progress with development of the required maps for the OS Plan. He is working closely with MVPC.

OS&RP: Section 5: Don is beginning work on this section

OS&RP Section 7: Jean led an extensive discussion on her draft of this important section.

ADA Appendix to the OS&RP: Annie reported that Glenn Clohecyc has submitted a few pieces of the required ADA work, but more is needed. She is in the process of contacting him, and will continue to do so.

Next meeting: February 18, 2009 7:30 pm. Drafts of Section 7 (Jean); Sections 1 & 6 (Statement of Open Space and Recreation Goals) and 8 (Patricia) ; and Section 2 (Jennifer) will be distributed in advance for review.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 pm