West Newbury Open Space Committee

Meeting Minutes - Nov. 9, 2016

Meeting attendees: Jean Lambert, Patricia Reeser, Don Bourquard, Steve Greason, Marlene Switzer, Brad Buschur

- 1. **Meeting minutes** for the September meeting were accepted with minor grammatical changes.
- 2. **Daley Field Update**: The project proponent is presenting at the November 15 Planning Board meeting.
- 3. **519 Main Street**: The asking price for this 27-acre property is \$950,000 and includes a 5-bedroom house. The power line easement crosses the parcel and the rear portion of the lot is wet and may have slope constraints. The land does have trail values because it provides linkages to the training field and Mill Pond.
- 4. **Hufnagel** (R-24-5): Essex Greenbelt had been working with the family to protect the approximately 32-acre property through a conservation restriction. It appears the CR has yet to be recorded. The Committee agreed to contact Greenbelt to determine next steps.
- 5. **Mullen Property Trails**: The committee moved to develop a trail plan at the Mullen property and present the plan to the selectmen for approval.
- 6. **The Cottages:** The trail system has issues. The committee agreed to review trail layout and design details with the planning board.
- 7. **Priority Parcels and Municipal Land**: The committee approved adding the following municipal parcels to the priority parcel list: Dunn Field (R-26-19), Riverbend West less the Page School and solar array (R-23-23), and Break Hill (R-2-35).
- 8. **OSRP Goal and Action Item**: The committee approved the following goal / action item for the OSRP update: The committee will work to permanently protect the municipally owned priority parcels described above in item 7.
- 9. **Priority Parcels and Chapter 61 Lands**: The committee approved adding the following Chapter 61 parcels to the priority parcel list: Hufnagel (R-24-5), Brown Spring Farm (R-28-15), New Harmony Farm (R-12-27).
- 10. **Other Priority Parcels**: The committee requested Steve Greason and Don Bourquard to review the remaining Chapter 61 parcels and recommend parcels to be added to the priority list.
- 11. **OSRP**: The committee will meet in one week to have a workshop on the OSRP.

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