

West Newbury Open Space Committee **Meeting Minutes**

Monday, April 8, 2019
Second-floor Meeting Room, Town Office Building

Present: Jessica Azenaro, John Dodge, Jean Lambert, Wendy Reed, Patricia Reeser, Marley Switzer, scribe

Absent: Don Bourquard, Brad Buschur, Dan Carlat

Guests: Judith Mizner, ConCom and CPC; Elisa Grammer, Historical Commission and River Access Committee

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m.

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On a motion by John Dodge, seconded by Jessica Azenaro, the OSC voted unanimously to support the 3% CPA tax in West Newbury.

At the close of the OSC meeting on March 20, members agreed to meet on April 4 to approve the content and design of the CPA flyer that would be posted. At the April 4 meeting, discussion related to what data should be included in the flyer, such as: the 63% match; the total amount in 2nd and 3rd rounds of funding; and details of the two Open Space projects this year. Including the ROI was deemed too complex to be easily understood. Wendy Reed asked for input on a flyer prototype that she had created at Patricia's direction. Jean Lambert had a copy of the CPA flyer she produced in 2012 and said she would take on the flyer production at this point. It was suggested that photos of Action Cove, Page School and the Riverbend Bridge appear in the committee's CPA flyer. Jessica agreed to post the flyer in designated areas in town. John Dodge will post the flyer to the OSC page on the town website and other social media places.

Jean is preparing the talking points to be delivered by OSC members at TM. The speakers' statements will in opposition to Article 30 which seeks to reduce the CPA tax to .5% from 3%.

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Patricia reminded committee members that she would be out of the country April 15-April 27. In her absence, John will chair the April 17 OSC meeting.

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Jessica shared the early registration for the upcoming Bicentennial Nature Walks (all four will be held 9-10:30 a.m. and will be guided by Deb Hamilton and Carol Decker):

19 / Withers, Thursday, April 25

23 / Riverbend, Saturday, April 27

7 / Riverbend, Thursday, May 2

10 / Withers, Saturday, May 4

Jessica requested parking instructions so she could post them. John said the only restriction was that participants should park on one side of the road.

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The next regular meeting of the OSC will be Wednesday, April 17 at 7 p.m., chaired by John in the absence of Patricia.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m., on a motion by Jessica, seconded by Jean.

Respectfully submitted,
Marlene Switzer

cc: Town Clerk
John Dodge, website