

## **Open Space Minutes, 9-7-2005**

### **Attendees**

Anne Madden (chair)	Patricia Reeser
Don Bourquard	Janet Thibeau
	Mike Mokrzycki, associate

### **Topics covered**

- Minutes of 8/3/05 meeting
- Next Meeting: Sept. 12, 7:30 p.m.
- Richardson/Gerrish: Restrictive Covenants re Lot 1 Cherry Hill
- Community Preservation Act
- Workforce Housing Trust update
- Daley 40B plan update
- Parcels in play

### **Minutes of 8/3/05**

Minutes of the August 3 meeting will be reviewed at the next Open Space Committee meeting.

### **Next Meeting:**

The committee will post its next meeting for Sept. 12 at 7:30 p.m. Subject to Board of Selectmen availability, the committee hopes to meet with the Selectmen at their meeting that night to discuss potential fall Town Meeting action on the Community Preservation Act.

### **Richardson/Gerrish: Restrictive Covenants re Lot 1 Cherry Hill**

The memo Patricia has drafted regarding procedures for dealing with restrictive covenants will be reviewed at next Open Space Committee meeting.

Ed Madden, owner of Lot 3 Cherry Hill (and no relation to the Open Space Committee chair), provided an update on efforts to resolve differences with Richardson/Gerrish (Lot 1). He maintains that Lot 1 is not in compliance with the restrictive covenants regarding house siting and siding color. He also answered committee questions on the timetable for landscaping his own property, as required under the restrictive covenants.

### **Community Preservation Act**

Committee members hope to meet with the Board of Selectmen at their Sept. 12 meeting to discuss results of the town leaders' survey regarding the Community Preservation Act and next steps in assessing whether to try to enact the CPA in West Newbury. Deadline for warrant articles is Sept. 19 and Town Meeting is expected to be Oct. 17. Also, another open forum on CPA has been scheduled for Sept. 22. The committee discussed other communications steps to be taken re CPA.

### **Workforce Housing Trust update**

Patricia updated the committee on Workforce Housing Trust activity and plans for action at Fall and Spring Town Meeting. There was further discussion of the land-based

approach to compliance with state affordable housing requirements and of current and potential future town compliance with planned production requirements.

**Daley 40B update**

The committee discussed the status of the Daley Commons 40B proposal before the ZBA, and on the status of the ZBA vacancies. Next ZBA meeting Sept. 23.

**Parcels in play**

Annie advised that the Streiff property (Main St east of Brown Spring Farm, ~25 ac to river) has been sold and that the new owners intend to have a house with a horse and llama farm by the river, and several lots for new houses by Main Street. Trail/open space potential unclear.