

April 24, 2013 Open Space Committee Minutes

Attending: Steve Greason, Barry LaCroix, Patricia Reeser, Jennifer Germain, Jean Lambert

The meeting was called to order at 7:55 p.m.

The January 12, 2013 minutes will be circulated for the next meeting.

1. The January 30th minutes were approved.
2. There was a discussion about maintaining a quorum of voting members for meetings. Some of the members were away for a good part of the winter and the committee was unable to meet due to lack of a quorum. We would like to resolve this problem. Steve spoke to Patricia Reeser about becoming a voting member. Barry made a motion to recommended Patricia, Jennifer seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

There was further discussion about inviting some possible candidates to our next few meetings. The committee would like to ask Felicity to recommend a “horse” person to keep us connected to ECTA. There was a short discussion about looking into the possibility of changing the bylaws so an associate member could vote in place of someone who was missing.

3. It was agreed that Steve would speak at town meeting about the Open Space Projects we are working on.
4. There was a brief discussion about the fact that the ConCom requested a notice of intent for the upcoming bridge project. ECTA didn't think it was needed but ECTA will ultimately work it out with ConCom.

5. Patricia received a call from the Realtor concerning the Sullivan property and asking if the town might be interested in buying the waterfront piece. The land is in 61A so the issue will be forced when it comes out of 61A. The Open Space Committee has an interest in the waterfront property as a priority parcel and would like to see the Parks and Rec become involved as well.

6. Jean updated us on the Grew property. There is a lot of percing going on on the property. Joe Grew wants to build a house for himself behind the present home. He would like to sell off the front lot with the house. Barry will reach out to Greenbelt to make a call to Joe.

7. There was a short discussion about the Dunajski property. Steve received a letter from their attorney saying that they do not want people on their land; therefore no easement will be forthcoming.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer W. Germain