



**CITY OF DOVER**

## OPEN LANDS COMMITTEE AGENDA AND MEETING NOTICE

Meeting Type: Regular Monthly Meeting  
Meeting Location: City Hall, City Council Conference Room, Dover, NH 03820  
Meeting Date: **Thursday, March 11, 2010**  
Meeting Time: **5:30 pm**

In attendance: Geoffrey Njue, Dona Layton, Barbara LeHockey, Steve Bird, John Scruton, Cheryl Niles, Larry Pilla, Marcia Gasses

- 1) Approval of Minutes  
Steve Bird motioned to approve the OLC minutes of February 4, 2010 with corrections. Second by Cheryl Niles. Motion passed unanimously.
- 2) Treasurers Report  
Steve Bird reported that the balance of the Conservation Fund is \$409,316.38.
- 3) Public Projects  
Steve Bird reported that the closing on the Philbrick/Olde Forest, LLC property has occurred and that everything went very well.
- 4) Reports by Task Groups

EASEMENT MONITORING Dave Price is working on a monitoring schedule for 2010.

OUTREACH AND EDUCATION Barbara LeHockey and Geoffrey Njue provided information on the planned OLC booth at the UNH Cooperative Extension plant sale on Friday, April 30 and Saturday, May 1 at the Rochester Fair Grounds. The purpose of the OLC booth at this event is to provide information on invasive species that are of special concern including the norwood maple, burning bush, and barberry and two varieties of beetles. The display will contain large pictures, children's activities, information on how to control invasive species, and what to do and who to call when they are found. The OLC may bring this display to Trail Clean Up Day on May 15. Barbara Le Hockey and Geoffrey Njue will get an estimate for a display board and present it to the OLC at the committee meeting in April, at which time the OLC will vote on a motion to ask for money from the Conservation Fund to purchase a display board. Marcia Gasses will ask the Conservation Commission to vote on the expenditure at the Cons. Com. meeting in April.

Dona Layton reported that Joyce El Kouarti has agreed to help her to redesign the OLC brochure. Dona Layton will write the text and compile the components for the brochure. Joyce El Kouarti will do the layout and prepare it for printing. Photographs are needed. Marcia Gasses said that Trout Unlimited may have pictures of students from the Garrison School releasing trout into the Cochecho River that would be suitable for the brochure.

Saving Special Places conference will be held in Weare on April 10. Cost is \$60 per person to register by March 26. Dona Layton will ask Chris Parker if the Planning Department will pay to send one or two OLC members to the conference.

GRANT WRITING There was a kickoff meeting at city hall about the land conservation inventory project with Chris Kane, the contractor the city has selected to conduct the work for this project. Steve Bird, Anna Boudreau, and Marcia Gasses attended.

TRAILS Field Day/Trail Clean Up Day will be held on May 15. There will probably be a groundbreaking ceremony for the trail parking lot on Watson Road, which may be attended by executives from Measured Progress, Dover Mayor Scott Myers, and Dover City Councilors. Other events include releasing trout into the Cochecho River and a barbeque. Trout Unlimited will ask Channel 9 news to cover the annual Field Day/Trail Clean Up Day.

OLC WEBSITE Barbara has spoken with Annie Dove of the city of Dover IT department. IT will need our documents for the website in PDF format. Larry Pilla will be working on the website with Barbara.

6) New Business  
No new business

7) Dona Layton motioned to enter into nonpublic session to discuss the status of individual land protection efforts/projects per RSA 91-A:3. Second by Steve Bird. Motion passed unanimously.

8) Geoffrey Njue motioned to exit nonpublic session and to seal the nonpublic minutes. Second by Cheryl Niles. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

March 2010 OLC minutes respectfully submitted by Dona Layton