



CITY OF DOVER

OPEN LANDS COMMITTEE - MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: 1st Floor Conference Room, City Hall
Meeting Date: **Thursday, July 11, 2013**
Meeting Time: **5:30 PM**

Members Present: Anna Boudreau (Chair), Malone Cloitre (Vice Chair), John Scruton, Kristen Murphy, Anne Kotlus, Ann Reid

Staff Present: Steve Bird

Meeting called to order by Boudreau at 5:31 pm.

1. Citizen Forum:

Murphy – Wells Reserve and City of Somersworth are holding tour of storm water treatment sites. Bird will e-mail out information.

Boudreau is raising funds for Strafford Rivers Conservancy with a matching program that ends on August 1, 2013.

Boudreau: Update on Huggins lawsuit. SRC hopes the lawsuit is coming to close, with the restatement of deed. AG office approves amendment if no public concerts.

2. Approval of June 13, 2013 minutes:

Motion made to approve the minutes by Cloitre, seconded by Murphy. Vote: Unanimous.

Treasurer's Report: Bird reported that as of June 30, 2013, the Conservation Fund is \$634,111.71 with the receivable amount at \$86,078.77. This is before the \$75,000 that covers City Planner salary for FY ending June 30th has been subtracted.

The Conservation Commission has agreed to spend Conservation Funds on the registration fee for Apple Harvest Day, a bill from Sherwood Landscaping for mowing of fields at Cassily, and two appraisals for conservation easements for unnamed properties.

Bird will find out if the Cassily fields are mowed once a year.

Community Garden - It is not easy to find out how figure to join. Eric Kelsey left as chair of Community Garden group. Bird will find out who is the new chair.

3. Public Projects:

Boudreau: None at this time.

4. Report by Task Groups

A. *Easement Monitoring:*



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Garland/Estes – Cloitre will set a date for visiting

Forbes/Paolini – Boudreau reported that the timber removal went well. OLC boundary markers are needed along the lots on Fieldstone to prevent future encroachment issues.

B. Outreach and Education

Cloitre continues to maintain Facebook site. Any educational opportunities should be sent to her. Bird will send her past press release and she will work on text for Dover Downloads. Ash borer information and matching funds for SRC is on site.

Bird: Mary Tebo from UNH Coop Ext. is offering a program for Natural Resource Stewards. It is 13 weeks on Fridays, all day @ Great Bay Community College.

C. Trails:

Brandt Hardwick is the new Chair of the Trails Committee. They are working on a trail at the New Meadows project with the new owners.

5. New Business:

OLC Bylaws: Boudreau and Bird have combined the revisions. Boudreau reviewed the changes she wanted to make to the bylaws. Bird will put the newest version on next meeting's agenda for adoption.

6. Non-Public Meeting

Kotlus made the motion to enter into non-public session for report on the status of individual land protection efforts/transactions per RSA 91-A:3-II-(d). Murphy seconded the motion and a roll call vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Kotlus motioned to come out of non-public session and seal the minutes because divulgence would render the proposed action ineffective. Scruton seconded. Vote: Unanimous Approval.

7. Adjournment

Next meeting is scheduled for August 8th, 2013.

Kotlus motioned to adjourn at 6:49 PM. Seconded by Cloitre. Vote: Unanimous

Minutes taken by Ann Reid.