



CITY OF DOVER

OPEN LANDS COMMITTEE - MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: 2nd Floor Conference Room, City Hall
Meeting Date: **Thursday, December 12, 2013**
Meeting Time: **5:30 PM**

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

Staff Present: Steve Bird

Meeting called to order by Boudreau at 5:40 pm.

1. Citizens Forum: None

2. Approval of November 14, 2013 minutes:

Motion made to approve the minutes with corrections by Kotlus, seconded by Murphy. Cloitre to get electronic version and make corrections. Vote: Unanimous.

3. Treasurer's Report: Bird reported that as of November 30, 2013, the Conservation Fund balance is \$699,786.04 with the receivable amount at \$76,436.80.

4. Public Projects: None

5. Report by Task Groups

A. *Easement Monitoring:*

- Cloitre, Bird and Bryant monitored Bagdon. Went well, did not get a chance to talk to Bagdon about connecting trails. Bird sent report to LCHIP.
- Bird monitored Cassily with Assistant City Planner Tim Corwin. Went well, no trash and no new planting this year by Community Garden group, but there was evidence of people walking community trail.
- Browne has not been done, but Murphy will contact new owner to see if she and Cloitre can walk the property and will discuss later clearing trails.
- Tuttle: Boudreau met Matt the new owner who was busy getting store open. Want to convert forest to fields for orchards. They have a forester lined up to create a forest management plan. Boudreau walked property with Tyler Matteson and he will help with press release of new use. When city and/or commission receives forestry management plan the OLC would like to review and advise the Conservation Commission.

B. *Outreach and Education*

- New member appointed Wednesday night, Brenda Davidson. Interest in conservation, from 341 Middle Road, has email: birds davidson@comcast.net.
- December 19th Public Session for Dover Climate Change Adaptation Workshop from 6-8 p.m.
- Kotlus spoke with Emma C. at UNH Cooperative Extension about speakers for us and she told her about another possible speaker from the Strafford County Complex w/Cooperative Extension.



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Cloitre mentioned Cameron Wake from UNH as a potential speaker. Send Cloitre stuff for Facebook.

- It would be great to start collecting Scruton's stories and ideas relative to land conservation and agriculture.
- OLC brochure: Group still needs to look over brochure and review
- Cloitre will increase partner contacts on Facebook
 - Land Trusts
 - SRC
 - Bird will copy list from Kotlus
 - Assoc. for Rollinsford Culture and History
 - Great Bay Stewards

C. Trails: None

6. New Business:

- A. Revise OLC brochure – Kotlus is going to work on brochure with Murphy.
- B. Cloitre and Boudreau will work on mission statement
- C. Cloitre will have classes and might miss Feb, March and April meetings. Her classes are Tues/Thurs.

7. Non-Public Meeting

Reid 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). Kotlus seconded the motion and a roll call vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

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

8. Adjournment

Next meeting is scheduled for January 9th.

Murphy motioned to adjourn at 7:45 PM. Seconded by Kotlus. Vote: Unanimous

Minutes taken by Ann Reid.