



CITY OF DOVER

OPEN LANDS COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: 2nd Floor Conference Room, City Hall
Meeting Date: **Thursday, May 19, 2016**
Meeting Time: **5:30 PM**

Members Present: Anna Boudreau (Chair), Isaac Epstein, Anne Kotlus, Kristen Murphy, Bob Hall and Andy Goodell

Staff Present: Steve Bird

Meeting was called to order at 5:31.

1. Citizens Forum:

Murphy: There is a lot of invasive garlic mustard in Dover. We should watch for it during easement monitoring.

Boudreau: The Stewardship network has garlic-pulling days. Asked Murphy to go to the Cooperative Extension to learn about how to deal with it. Maybe we could also organize an event as part of the outreach committee?

Murphy: The time to pull has probably passed. Maybe we could organize something next spring?

Epstein: Will be managing the reelection campaign of Senator Watters and running for the State House from Ward 1.

Boudreau: Lucier resigned and has moved to Florida. Wednesday June 1, SELT Conservation Celebration at Flag Hill Winery on June 1, 6:00-8:30

Bird will not be available for the next scheduled meeting. Boudreau may set a new date.

2. Approval of minutes.

Murphy moved to approve the April 28, 2016 minutes, Goodell seconded. All approved but Hall, who abstained because he was not present

3. Treasurer's Report

Account balance as of April 30: \$673,826.33. Receivables: \$58,981.01

4. Public Projects

No pending public projects at this time.

5. Reports by Task Groups

A. Easement Monitoring

Bird: Sent monitoring notices to Garland Estes, Moll. Davidson will prepare for monitoring when she returns



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Boudreau: Davidson requested somebody take charge of Enterprise Park

Epstein: Didn't we nominate Hall?

Hall: I have a lot going on, but he will take it on with the help of Bird and Kotlus.

B. Outreach and Education

Next Thursday there is a workshop at the Library – Conservation Easements for Realtors.

Murphy: Three people went on the woodcock walk. No birds, but they walked the community trail in the Cassily easement and one of the participants had no idea that the trail was available to the public. It warmed up early this season, so our date was probably too late.

Wildlife Walk this year. Boudreau will check with Emma and schedule a date at the Bellamy Wildlife Management Area. Or maybe Jim? Epstein asked if it would be worth splitting into two groups, but the committee decided that would not be productive. Boudreau will start with Jim and then ask Emma. We should probably schedule it for July.

C. Trails:

Linda Welch of that easement works at Liberty Mutual.

National Trails Cleanup on June 4 for the Community Trail from 10-12. Contact Jim Verschueren or Donna Benton.

Goodell mentioned that the trails committee wants to update the board. Goodell, Kotlus, and Murphy will work with the Trails Committee on updating the board. Pass out brochures. Murphy will get in touch with Benton.

Kotlus suggested a coloring book for younger audiences. Murphy has something from Exeter that we could adapt.

6. New Business.

Bird drafted a resolution renaming part of the community trail after John Scruton.

Hall moved that the OLC support the resolution, Kotlus seconded. All approved

7. Old Business

Project Criteria Revisions – Goodell hasn't done any monitoring, but when he does he will use the new form to test it.

8. Enter non-public session – At 6:04, Epstein made a motion to go into non-public session to report on the status of individual land protection efforts/transactions per RSA 91-A:3. Kotlus seconded. Roll call vote: Unanimous

At 6:46 PM we reentered public session.

The chair declared the meeting adjourned at 6:47 PM.