



CITY OF DOVER

OPEN LANDS COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: 2nd Floor Conference Room, City Hall
Meeting Date: **Thursday, November 17, 2016**
Meeting Time: **5:30 PM**

Members Present: Anna Boudreau (Chair), Malone Cloitre, Isaac Epstein, Ann Reid, Anne Kotlus, Brenda Davidson, and Kristen Murphy

Staff Present: Steve Bird

Meeting was called to order at 5:37

1. Election of Officers for 2017

Boudreau asked if any members were interested in being an officer next year.

Epstein made a motion to reappoint the current officers by acclamation. Kotlus seconded. All approved. The 2017 officers will be Boudreau, Chair; Cloitre, Vice Chair; and Epstein, Secretary. Congratulations to continuing officers!

2. Citizens Forum:

Boudreau mentioned that Andy Goodell will miss some meetings due to his daughter's medical issue.

3. Approval of minutes.

Murphy motioned to approve minutes as presented, seconded by Davidson. Vote: Unanimous, with Epstein abstaining.

4. Treasurer's Report

Bird reported that the Conservation Fund as of 10/31/16 is \$567,329.97 with receivables of \$41,675.88.

5. Public Projects: None

6. Reports by Task Groups

A. Easement Monitoring

Members committed to monitor as follows & notify Davidson when complete:

Boudreau: Fraser/Keith

Cloitre: Bagdon

Murphy: New Meadows & Day

Cassily: Epstein

Enterprise Park: Southeast Land Trust (SELT) permitted aerial monitoring. Davidson and Bird will inspect accessible areas to supplement.

B. Outreach and Education

Kotlus spoke with SOAK NH presenters for late-March. They already have a Horne School project

Murphy: We should organize for another snowshoe. Maybe February 10 at the full moon? Everybody



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thought that it was a good idea. Maybe start around 6:30?

Bird: The Planning Board will host a Meet and Greet on January 10. We should discuss a list of goals during the December meeting.

Cloitre: Should we think about going to the City Council more often? Maybe quarterly? We agreed that our current schedule (about twice a year) was appropriate.

C. Trails:

The committee did not meet. No news.

7. New Business. None

8. Old Business

A. RFP for Baseline Documentation:

Bird said that the RFP will go out next week. Any expenditures will have to be approved by the conservation commission.

Davidson: Have we discussed a range of costs to expect?

Bird: It really depends on the nature of the particular project.

Murphy: Do we have a list of baselined property?

Bird: Not really. Davidson volunteered to do so.

B. NHACC Partnership Grant with OLC and Schools:

Murphy: We have collected four weeks of data. Clear distinction between different feeders. Kids are measuring rate of disappearance of seeds. After four weeks, reports are becoming more consistent. Kids are really learning to watch and identify birds. Kids would like to speak before the Conservation Commission, either in December or January. Also doing a Parents' presentation

Boudreau spoke about the Conservation conference she attended last week. Lots of young people who have never worked on a project.

9. Enter Non-public Session

At 6:12, Cloitre made a motion to enter non-public session per RSA 91-A:3. II(d), Epstein seconded. On a roll call vote, all approved.

Returned to public meeting at 7:16 pm.

Reid made a motion to seal the non-public minutes per RSA 91-A:3. III, because the divulgence would render the proposed action ineffective, Kotlus seconded. All approved.

The chair declared the meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM.