

Open Space Committee October 4 2007

Members present: Linda Grubb, Joan Morton (newly sworn in since Sept. meeting), Brian Reynolds, Mike Schroeder Members absent: Don Foster, Barry Evans  
Non-members present: Jamie Velazquez

Minutes from September 6 were read and accepted.

Charge was discussed. The only change from Selectman Nancy Yeatts was to make committee 6 members. Clarification is still needed. Linda has a draft which she will discuss with Nancy. There was discussion of what deed restrictions we thought we would be tracking, Jamie said she would send us copies of deeds with any type of restriction until we get a handle on limit of our responsibility. She said she can easily enter into the assessors' data base any restrictions that show up on deeds and will do so for all deeds recorded for 2007.

Mike's memo to boards requesting notification of any deed restrictions was discussed. Mike is uncomfortable sending it until charge is clarified. Linda urged that it be sent and suggested Mike check it out with Nancy before sending.

Linda distributed a printout of lands under Chapter 61. We need a key to the use code to better interpret the list.

Jamie will send to all members the up-to-date assessor's data base. When she receives the minutes via email, she will send it as a reply to all.

Committee reviewed site plans for Rachel's Way and New England Rent-All. Mike will send letter with our comments. Letter attached to minutes.

Mail was reviewed: There will be a Community Preservation Act conference at Bridgewater State, November 10, 8:30 to 3 p.m. The SE Mass. Commuter Rail Task Force will hold a public meeting entitled "An Open Discussion of Alternatives, Tuesday, October 17, 4:45-6 p.m. The Taunton River Watershed Alliance, Mass. Audubon, and the Taunton River Watershed Campaign are co-sponsoring a workshop on improving storm water management at the Lakeville Public Library October 25, 7:00 p.m. An NPDES report was placed in our box that indicates Open Space has been assigned the responsibilities for establishing a River Action Focus Team, assisting Historical Commission in naming unnamed streams, and nominating Assonet River Swamp as an ACEC. Linda will check with selectmen's office as to meaning of this document.

Discussion of open space plan will need to wait until Don is present. Linda will contact him again about getting CD of plan so paper copies can be made.

Discussion of issues pertaining to reviewing site plans was deferred to next meeting.

It was noted that next month the first Thursday is bad for several people. Meeting is planned for November 8. It would be helpful if anyone who cannot attend notify Mike or Linda.

Brian moved to adjourn. Mike seconded. Adjourn approximately 9:30.