

Lakeville Open Space Committee September 6, 2007

Members present: Barry Evans, Brian Reynolds, Mike Schroeder,
Don Foster, Linda Grubb

Non-members present: Nancy Yeatts, Joan Morton

Minutes read from August 2. Brian vote to accept as read. Barry seconded. Vote unanimous.

The Committee's Charge from the Board of Selectmen was reviewed. There was discussion of adding Joan as member. Nancy favors but says committee should have odd number and should perhaps go up to 7 members. Linda would like to see all areas of town represented.

It was noted that CR's usually do not require renewal although Chapter 61 provisions do. The pertinent sentence in the charge might read: "Also, the Committee shall compile a list of all existing Conservation Restrictions and Chapter lands under Chapter 94, 61 and 184 and shall develop recommendations for a systematized renewal process."

We need to establish who owns the responsibility to renew and what mechanisms can be used. Covenants and easements also need to be listed and managed.

Nancy will get revised charge to us.

Committee's accumulated materials were reviewed. Barry will ask Jamie at Assessors' Office to do new spread sheet for us. Linda distributed Chapter 61 property list. It was noted Master Plan has list of protected properties. Our file for the time being is a labeled cardboard box in the conference room.

Access to Open Space Plan was reviewed. Plan is available on line, but most members want hard copy. We needs 3-4 hard copies.

Changes to town since OS Plan were listed: Developments in the works: Bill Hall's, Maxim's and Simmon's properties

40B's: LeBaron, Bridge Street, Stagecoach, Wood's Edge

40R's: train station property

Cell tower

Zoning change making deeper commercial zone along route 105

Route 79 intersection plan

(8:40 pm Barry left)

Bio map, Living Waters map developed

Natural Heritage changes increase habitat areas but spotted turtle dropped from protection

New CR's: Gladeu, Morton, Reynolds/Gallege, Leonard, Bartlett (route 44), GE Capital, Canpro, Gomes (never finalized), Paniettera (mowing regime), Maxim

Breaking up of Roche property, including TTOR parcel, Barber's development

Unanticipated development of several lots that were thought inaccessible
Easement granted over Cross Street property to acreage given to Wildlands Trust

Other business: Linda mentioned Joan Pierce of Fish and Wildlife would like to meet with us.

Bridgewater CPA is hosting a presentation on preserving open space Thursday September 27 at the Bridgewater Senior Center. There will be a Taunton River Watershed Alliance event September 15 at Watson Park in Taunton.

Linda distributed copies of the Taunton River Watershed 5-year Action Plan and the Open Space Planner's Workbook.

Brian noted our committee needs to do public education. There was a discussion of the CPA.

Don moved to adjourn, Brian seconded. Adjourned 9:15 p.m.