

Open Space Management Committee Minutes

June 14, 2011

Present: Dena DeSena, Dick Bauman, John Marchewka, Garvan Donegan, Marti Blair, Jessica Sullivan, Town Planner Maureen O'Meara

1. Meeting called to order at 7:55 p.m.
2. Citizen comments. None.
3. Minutes of May 24, 2011 were reviewed and unanimously approved.
4. Minutes of May 26, 2011 Public Forum were corrected and unanimously approved.
5. Review final draft of Open Space Management Plan. A small committee, involving Dena, Dick, Jessica and Garvan will come in and do some final revisions and polishing at 9:00a.m. on June 29.

Pages 110-112: It was suggested that Section VIII, Related Recommendations, should be part of the cover memo, not the plan itself. Some items in this section require Council action in order for the plan to be valid. If it is only in the cover memo, there is a likelihood that the recommendations will be lost. It was agreed that a copy of the signed Cover Memo, with recommendations included, be incorporated as an appendix.

On-going review. Maureen will add a statement to the effect that we expect the Plan will be updated as necessary over its ten year life.

Page 4, line 20: Change "must be reviewed" to "recommend" Include some wording to allow the Commission to make reasonable alterations as necessary.

Chart and Maps will be moved to the back as an Appendix. The maps will be numbered and the numbers put in the Table of Contents. The maps all need to have a north arrow.

Page 2 will be added that tells the members of the committee and the Council and staff.

Page 6: Make reference to Appendix A.

Page 6, line 11: Replace "owning" with "holding. Line 19: Change "an inventory" to "this inventory"

Page 6: Language will be added to the effect that the chart covers the land the town manages.

Page 12: Baker Park is not on the Chart.

Page 13: Dyer Woods-Add trails to the Chart. Investigate whether snowmobiles are restricted by deed.

Page 52: Great Pond Condos Easement-Ice skating is not a good idea because the pond is spring fed.

Page 43, line 8: Alewife Cove Preserve-Public access location, None. Public access only to people who have a right to travel on Alewife Cove Road, which is private. The town owns the lot. Add to the Chart a note that there is no public road.

Page 62, line 4: Access from Whaleback Way, not Whaleback Ridge Road.

Page 85: Review for changes and deletions. Line 25: Replace “in bold” with “in gray”

Page 90, line 17: Add statement on the maintenance projects done by the Conservation Commission.

Page 95, line 12: Remove the future references and any language that will quickly become outdated.

Page 101, lines 24-25: Delete. Leave in, “In 2011, there are approximately 130...” Lines 37-38 talk about a future action that may need to be taken by the Council’s Ordinance Committee.

Page 102, ATV’s: On the chart, since the whole column of ATV usage is NO, delete that column and add as a footnote.

Page 102, line 42 and Page 103, lines 1-3 should be deleted because that is already on Page 94, lines 15-18.

Page 103, line 42: Delete “at this time”

Page 109, whole page: Delete page 109 and put in a sentence that refers to the prior statements on these topics.

Map: Put the labels with the regions identified back on.

6. Meeting adjourned at 9:38. NO next meeting! Congratulations all!