

September 8, 2022

MINUTES

Open Space Committee

Members present: Michael Toohill, Ana Lockwood, Mary Wilson, Eric Hinds and, Matthew Allison

Absent: Brandon Kibbe

Additional Attendees: Dave Passios

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM and M. Toohill indicated the meeting was being recorded and on Zoom.

First item on the agenda, Minutes from August 11, 2022.

A. Lockwood made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. M. Allison seconded. Roll Call vote, all in favor (5-0).

Next item on the agenda, New Planning Board Representative - Matthew Allison.

M. Toohill welcomed M. Allison to the committee.

M. Allison stated he has been on the Planning Board since 2012. He is interested in preserving Open Space and he also sits on the Agricultural Commission.

Next item on the agenda, Stump Cove (0 Lake Shirley Reservoir Road) Parcel off Reservoir Road - Follow-up

M. Toohill indicated he had no updates at this time.

M. Toohill informed the Committee they approved a budget for a Title Examiner. The approval has been sent to the Town Manager. The Town Manager is working with the Town Council and their title examiner.

Next item on the agenda, Committee Comments/Concerns.

Conservation Commission

M. Wilson stated the Conservation Commission (CC) is the beneficiary of the estate of Sean Kelly who resided at 77 Peninsula Drive.

The CC would receive the proceeds of the estate but not the land. The estimates of the estate are as follows:

- The house is estimated at \$1 million.

- The additional liquid assets are \$¼ million and a car.

M. Wilson indicated the proceeds would not be available for at least six months.

Parks Commission

A. Lockwood stated the Parks Commission is working on the Northfield property and noted the survey has already been done. The parcel is approximately 50 acres and Parks is working on a ten year plan.

Planning Board

M. Allison indicated the Planning Board is looking at a project where Bright Farms was previously permitted. Lufa Farms is proposing a greenhouse on an 8 acre parcel.

Bright Farms offered to give Lunenburg a piece of the parcel to connect existing CC and Parks with access to Northfield.

M. Allison indicated the new applicant, Lufa Farms may be offering the PB the same terms as the Bright Farms and asking for a revision to the previous permit rather than go through the whole permitting process again.

Next on the agenda, Public Comment - none

Next on the agenda, Meeting Schedule

The Committee discussed moving the October meeting to October 12, 2022 and scheduling the November meeting for November 9, 2022.

M. Toohill suggested scheduling meetings every other month moving forward or as needed. This item will be on the next agenda.

M. Allison suggest adding the appointment of the Vice-chair on the next agenda.

Adjourned: 8:05 pm

Andrea Mastrototaro