

Town of Marshfield Community Preservation Committee

Open Meeting Minutes

September 14, 2016

CPC Members in Attendance: Tim Russo, Bert O'Donnell, Kevin Cantwell, Michele Campion, Kerry Richardson. Others in Attendance: Karen O'Donnell, John Taylor. Absent: Mike Bilas.

Open Meeting

MOTION: Kevin Cantwell made a motion to open the meeting at 7:02 p.m. Second by Michele Campion.

Minutes

MOTION: Tim Russo made a motion to accept the Open Meeting Minutes of August 10, 2016. Michelle Campion second. Absent: Michael Bilas. Minutes approved.

Open Space Study

- Karen O'Donnell, Open Space Chairman said the Special Town Meeting warrant article in the language about the financing of the Open Space study. It will be pulled from the warrant if CPC cannot fund it.
- Karen O'Donnell said she is working with both a new Recreation Director and a new Conservation Agent.

MOTION: Tim Russo made a motion to fund \$35,000 out of the FY17 Open Space set aside for the Open Space Study at the October Special Town Meeting. Michele Campion second. All approved. Motion to fund the Open Space study passes.

- Kerry Richardson asked what the progress is on the kayak launch project on the Pratt Property and said Gail Hunter asked who she should talk to about moving it along.
- Karen O'Donnell said Pat Brennan said he was putting in a notice of intent with the town but she is not sure if he has yet.
- Bert O'Donnell said it would be nice to have it in use.
- Karen O'Donnell said it has to go out to bid, it still won't be done in time for this season, and it is going out as a package.
- Karen O'Donnell said Pat Brennan is the Project Manager and he will file the notice of intent, he told her it is not at the top of the list of projects he is working on for the town.
- Karen O'Donnell said Pat Brennan did send the contract over to be signed and that took over a month. He has assured her it will go in by early spring.
- Tim Russo said he continues to be concerned with the lack of a crosswalk between the Skate Park and Dairy Queen. He had contacted the DPW and has not heard back.

- Kevin Cantwell said Bert O'Donnell's appointment to Open Space from CPC is with the Board of Selectmen.
- Karen O'Donnell said her committee has two openings right now.
- Kerry Richardson said he is concerned Affordable Housing put in two applications instead of one, his suggestion is to make it into one. He said Jack and Dan will probably spend the entire \$65,000 this year due to changes in the state pension restrictions.
- Resident John Taylor of Taylor Marine came to discuss a public access situation concerning the footbridge from the town pier to Blue Fish Cove.
- John Taylor said the bridge is a mess and the owner of the land wants the town to take the approximately 200 foot strip of his land it lands on so he is not liable. The owner has let the public use his land for many years for fishing, traveling, etc. He is concerned there will be injuries with the bridge in a state of deterioration. The bridge is between his land and the south end of Cherry Street owned by the Taylors.
- John Taylor and his brother, owners, have discussed many ideas about how to deal with this; the DPW will not fix it saying it is private land.
- Michele Campion asked if it could be taken by an easement.
- Kevin Cantwell said he will talk to Bob Galvin, maybe it can be taken for recreation.
- Kerry Richardson asked if Mike DiMeo could cover it with a grant.
- John Taylor said it could involve a 250' raised walkway.
- Kevin Cantwell said he will talk with BOS Chairman Steve Robbins about it.
- Next meeting is October 12, 2016.

MOTION: Kevin Cantwell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m. to go into Executive Session to discuss real estate and not return to Open Meeting. Kerry Richardson second. Roll call: Bert O'Donnell, yes, Kerry Richardson, yes, Michele Campion, yes, Tim Russo, yes, Kevin Cantwell, yes. Absent: Mike Bilas. The Open Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Shanley, CPC Administrator