

**Town of Marshfield
Community Preservation Committee
Open Meeting Minutes --- May 12, 2021
ZOOM Video Remote Meeting**

Members Present: Kevin Cantwell - Chair, Tim Russo – Vice Chair, Bert O'Donnell, Mike Bilas, Denis Kelleher, Kerry Richardson, Michele Campion. Absent – Meghan Enwright.

Guests: Don McAleer, Karen O'Donnell

Call to Order: MOTION: Kevin Cantwell made a Motion to open the meeting at 7:01pm. Motion seconded by Kerry Richardson. Approved 7-0 by Roll Call Vote: Kerry Richardson – yes, Denis Kelleher – yes, Kevin Cantwell – yes, Tim Russo – yes, Bert O'Donnell – yes, Michele Campion – yes, Mike Bilas – yes.

Minutes Review: MOTION: Kerry Richardson made a Motion to approve meeting minutes of April 14, 2021 as written. Mike Bilas seconded. Approved 6-0-1 by Roll Call Vote: Kevin Cantwell – yes, Denis Kelleher - yes, Bert O'Donnell – yes, Kerry Richardson – yes, Mike Bilas – yes, Tim Russo – yes. Michele Campion – abstain.

Finances: All projects continue to be reviewed. A list of accounts that are ready to close out by the end of FY 2021 is being compiled for accounting.

Open Space Summary: Karen O'Donnell urged the Board to refer to the most recent 2018 Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP) that is available on the Open Space Committee webpage. She said their priorities for acquiring land are in protecting Town drinking water and species habitats. Karen thanked the Board for funding a consultant to help write the 2018 plan and said it would be very helpful to hire again for the next update in 2023. Karen explained that the cost of appraisals has increased and having that money readily available is imperative. She would like to see that fund increased to allow for this.

K Richardson thinks the OSRP is very ambitious and impressive. He commented that a status plan showing what has been accomplished to date could be added. He questions if CPC could help fund an updated plan with use of administrative funds.

K O'Donnell explained that there is an up to date timeline section showing what is ongoing and what is expected within so many years.

K Cantwell thinks an application every couple of years to present at Town meeting may be a best to fund the plan updates.

Next Meeting Date: OPEN HOUSE tentatively scheduled for June 9, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Adjournment: MOTION: Kerry Richardson made a Motion to end the meeting at 7:25pm. Tim Russo seconded. Approved 7-0 by Roll Call Vote: Tim Russo – yes, Kerry Richardson - yes, Michele Campion – yes, Bert O'Donnell - yes, Denis Kelleher – yes, Mike Bilas – yes, Kevin Cantwell - yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Pomella
CPC Administrative Assistant

MINUTES APPROVED JUNE 9, 2021