

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE  
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2016  
HEARING ROOM 3, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR at 7:30 pm  
MARSHFIELD TOWN HALL  
MARSHFIELD, MA

A meeting of the Marshfield Open Space Committee (“the Committee”) was called to order at 8 pm. Chairperson Karen O’Donnell (KO), members Bob Shaughnessy (BS), Chad Haitsma (CH), Chris Ciocca (CC) and Vicki McPherson (VM) were present. Michael Biviano (MB) and Sue MacCallum (SM) were absent.

The Committee reviewed regular and executive session minutes for May 4, 2016 and June 23, 2016. KO made a motion to accept the regular and executive session minutes for May 4, 2016 and June 23, 2016 as written. Seconded by VM. All voted in favor.

The next meeting date was tentatively set for October 6, 2016.

### **UPDATES:**

#### **Conservation Restrictions**

KO reported that Wildlands Trust had forwarded draft CRs for Salvetti and Holly Road to Town Counsel for review. Wildlands requested comments by September 28th so that the CRs could be submitted to the Division of Conservation Services for review and approval. KO reported that Wildlands Trust had conducted a site visit at 310 Furnace Street. The Lands Committee will now discuss and make a recommendation about holding the CR to the Wildlands Board.

#### **310 Furnace Street**

KO reported on the demolition of the house on the property. The required DEP public hearing was held and approval was received for the acquisition. Town Counsel is waiting for title certification before scheduling a closing.

## **DISCUSSION:**

### **Pratt Property**

KO reported that Pat Brennan would be submitting a Notice of Intent to Rocco for his signature, and he would then file it with Conservation. Pat would like to get through the public hearing process with Conservation before bidding so that he can incorporate any changes in the bid documents. After bidding is completed and the project has been contracted out, all work can begin (weather permitting). He expects that the kayak launch would be ready for use in early spring. VM reported on the installation of the granite bench being donated by Gail Hunter in memory of her daughter and son. KO reported that the bench can be installed at any time, but she thought that the donation would have to be accepted by the Board of Selectmen at a public meeting. She would touch base with their office to find out how to get it on their agenda. There was a discussion of what can be done with the house and barn on the property since a CR cannot be put on the property until there is a final decision on the fate of the buildings. After discussion, CC made a motion to send the Board of Selectmen a letter recommending that the house be taken down and that there be a six-month period of assessment by various Town departments on possible uses for the barn. At the end of the six-month assessment period, if it is determined that there is no interest in the barn, the Committee would recommend that it be taken down as well. Seconded by BS. All voted in favor.

### **OSRP Update Process**

KO reported that CPC had voted \$35,000 in CPA funds to support the hiring of a consultant to update the Town's Open Space and Recreation Plan. The plan must be updated and submitted to the Division of Conservation Services for approval by June 30, 2017 in order for the Town to be eligible for any grant funding. Approval at Special Town Meeting on October 24 is required. BS led the discussion on the process for putting this work out to bid. He explained an RFQ, RFP and RFR in detail. It was decided that an RFQ would be the best way to put this project out to bid.

KO made a motion at 9 pm to enter into executive session not to return to regular session, for real property discussion because discussion in an open session may be detrimental to the Committee's negotiating position. VM seconded. Roll call vote: BS yes, CH yes, CC yes, VM yes and KO yes.

**Submitted by Karen O'Donnell**