

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2019

HEARING ROOM 3, 2ND FLOOR at 7 pm

MARSHFIELD TOWN HALL, MARSHFIELD, MA

A meeting of the Marshfield Open Space Committee (“the Committee”) was called to order at 7:05 pm. Chairperson Karen O’Donnell (KO), members Chad Haitsma (CH), Kevin Cantwell (KC) and Sue MacCallum (SM) were present. Chris Ciocca (CC) was absent.

Minutes Review: Regular session minutes for August 22, 2019 were reviewed. KO made a motion to approve regular session minutes for August 22, 2019. Seconded by CH. SM, CH & KO approved the minutes as written. KC abstained.

OSRP Mid-Year Review: CH reported on data taken from the OSRP Appendix G, Chapter 61. He acknowledged working well with the Town Assessor, AnnMarie Sinnott, developing excel tables that identify and note all LUCs and using tables that can query each LUC to see how many “match”. There was also discussion of other OSRP tables and potential future land opportunities. SM stated that land owned by a strong land trust will not divest.

At 7:20 pm, KO made a motion to enter executive session, returning to regular session, for real property discussion because discussion in an open session may be detrimental to the Committee’s negotiating position. Seconded by SM. Roll call vote: SM yes, CH yes, KC yes and KO yes.

At 8:20 pm, the Committee returned to regular session.

Open Space Officers, Policy and Planning: KO presented, and the Committee reviewed and commented on a document setting forth the duties of the Committee’s Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary. There was a discussion of the membership of the Committee and the difficulty in getting representatives from Recreation and Conservation to fill the vacant seats. The Committee discussed reducing the membership to five (a quorum would be three). After discussion, it was decided to maintain seven members and to have KO request that the

BOS change the Recreation and ConCom representative positions to at-large.

Next Meeting Date: Tentatively scheduled for December 5, 2019.

At 9 pm KO made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by SM. It was unanimously voted to adjourn.

Submitted by Karen O'Donnell

OSRP Chapter 61 Parcels (Prepared by CH)