

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 2021
MARSHFIELD TOWN HALL, MARSHFIELD, MA
REMOTE PARTICIPATION ZOOM MEETING, 7 pm

At a remote participation Zoom meeting of the Marshfield Open Space Committee ("the Committee"), Chairperson Karen O'Donnell (KO), members Chris Ciocca (CC), Craig C. Hannafin (CCH), Susan Caron (SC) and Steve Goodhue (SG) were present. Kevin Cantwell (KC) and Sue MacCallum (SM) were absent.

At 7:10 pm, KO made a motion to open the meeting. Seconded by CCH. **ROLL CALL: KO yes, CC yes, CCH yes, SC yes and SG yes.**

Minutes Review: KO made a motion to approve regular session minutes for February 11, 2021. Seconded by SC. **ROLL CALL VOTE: KO yes, CC yes, CCH yes, SC yes, and SG yes.**

There was a brief discussion of changes in officers.

The Committee continued the discussion on updating the Land Protection and Acquisition Process and Land Acquisition Ranking Form. SC commented that she had contacted the DPW for information relating to section **II. Water Source Protection** on the ranking form, specifically on the WRPD and Zone I & II parcels of land that they would be interested in acquiring to protect the Town's wells and drinking water. The DPW is in the process of moving into their new office space. She will follow up after the move is complete. SC discussed possible changes to section **III. Conservation, C. Wildlife Habitat** on the ranking form. She would like to tighten up and clarify the value of bogs, undisturbed upland habitat that may be undervalued on the ranking form. CCH agreed. KO asked if SC would work on a draft rewrite of this section. She agreed. The Committee will continue to discuss and consider rewrites to the ranking form during future meetings.

The Committee discussed a tentative next meeting date of April 15, 2021.

At 7:24 pm, KO made a motion to enter executive session, not 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 SG. **ROLL CALL: KO yes, CC yes, CCH yes, SC yes and SG yes.**

Submitted by Karen O'Donnell