

MARSHFIELD OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE
REMOTE MEETING
THURSDAY JUNE 15, 2023 7 PM
870 MORAIN STREET

**REMOTE PARTICIPATION ZOOM MEETING
MINUTES**

A meeting of the Open Space Committee was called to order by Chairwoman Susan Caron (SC) with a Motion at : 7:00 pm

Second: Chris Ciocca (CC) Roll call vote: CC yes, Craig Hannafin (CH) yes, Ned Bangs (NB) yes, Pam Harght (PH) yes, Susan Caron (SC) yes.

Absent : Sue MacCallum

1. Minutes for review : 5/11/2023

MOTION to approve as written made by SC.

Second: CC Roll call vote: CC yes, CH yes, NB yes, PH yes, SC yes.

2. Proposed Next Meeting : 7/20/23

3. SC informed the Committee that Select Board Chair, Jim Kilcoyne has been assigned to be the Liaison to the Open Space Committee. She has spoken with him and he has stated that he is eager to help and address any challenges to our work. See attached memo from Mr. Kilcoyne. SC plans to meet with him soon.

4. Open Space Plan (OSRP) Update.

SC has begun working on a Request for Cost Proposals (RFP) that will be sent to 3 firms in compliance with Chapter 30 B. One will be Horsley and Witten as they did the last update. SC will also send RFP's to VHB (they have done the Scituate OSRP and Marshfield's Town Master Plan) and BSC Group who did the OSRP for Quincy. Time line for public survey and public meetings discussed.

SC is trying to have proposals out by the end of the month with the goal of awarding a contract no later than August.

SC requests volunteers to form a subcommittee to review the proposals and the OSRP. CH and PH agreed to form the subcommittee with SC . SC will request that Conservation Administrator, Mike Seele review the proposals and serve on the subcommittee as has been done in the past.

5. Wildlands Trust is updating their Trails Guide and contacted SC regarding permission for them to show walking trails on town owned land over which they hold Conservation Restrictions. They would like to show the trails on the John Littles Conservation Area and the other trails that connect to that property. SC referred this question to Recreational Trails, Craig Hannafin and Michael Maresco. There has been no objection. WT requests written permission which should be underway.

MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION was made by SC at : 7:08 pm

To consider the purchase, lease, exchange or value of real property as discussion in an open session could have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the town of Marshfield. The committee will not return to Regular Session

Second: NB Roll call vote : CC yes , CH yes, NB yes, PH yes, SC yes.