

Open Space Committee Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday February 6, 2007

Present: Janice O'Brien, Bill Johnson, Jack Karcz, Jean Ragonese, Matthew Thomas, Kenn Jones, Larry and Jessica Lubowski and Tina Sturdivant

The meeting began at 7:05 PM

Mrs. O'Brien verified that all members received the meeting minutes from the last meeting.

A motion to accept meeting minutes from January 11, 2007 was made by Jack Karcz and seconded by Matthew Thomas.

Mrs. O'Brien reported that the Landowner workshop held on Saturday January 20, 2007 at the Fremont Library went well. There were five landowners who attended the meeting. Two additional landowners contacted Mrs. O'Brien, and Mr. Jones with questions relating to preserving their land. The goal of tonight's meeting is to put five parcels of land (held by four landowners) through the Open Space Criteria and scoring them.

Landowner A owns two parcels of land. Parcel A1 is 11.5 acres and has an existing house on it. Parcel A2 is 35 Acres and is undeveloped. Parcels A and B are not connected. The score for the first parcel was 42 of a possible 100 and the second parcel rated a 49.

Landowner B owns one parcel of land that is 37 acres in size. The parcel of land does contain a house. The total score for this parcel was a 54.

The remaining two parcels will be evaluated at next meeting.

#### Recommendations to the Conservation Commission

A motion was made by Jessica Lubowski to recommend presenting criteria results of all three parcels to the Conservation Commission. Exception: Verification with Landowner A is necessary to determine if further subdivision of the parcel is intended. If so, this parcel will need further evaluation and discussion. The motion was seconded by Kenn Jones

The committee members stated that they would like additional information from the landowners concerning their intent for land protection and how much the parcels are worth. Mrs. O'Brien and Mr. Karcz informed the committee that the two of them are planning to meet with Phil Auger in the very near future to discuss these five properties further. Mr. Auger had been in contact with a few of the landowners already and discussions will most likely continue.

Theresa Walker is coming in to the Conservation Commission meeting this coming Monday February 12, 2007 to update us on the NRI text and present new information. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

There is a hearing on Thursday February 15, 2007 at 7:30 PM to review the updated Town Forest Ordinance.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday March 6, 2007 at 7PM.

A motion to adjourn was made by Kenn Jones and seconded by Jean Ragonese.  
Meeting adjourned at 9:29 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tina Sturdivant