

Open Space & Recreation Plan Committee Meeting – July 12, 2016, Minutes

Time: 7:05 PM – 9:12 PM **Location:** Town Hall 1st Floor Conference Room

Members Present: Mary Webster, Jim Olivetti, Toni Bandrowicz, Richard Smith & Sarah Pruett, Planning Board Chair; Angela Ippolito, Town Planner; Pete Kane,

Members Absent: Tania Lillak, Recreation Director; Danielle Strauss

Mary brought the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. Sarah made a motion to approve the June 14, 2016 minutes. Jim second. Approved.

Mary sent the Greenwood Ave letter in the June minutes to the Selectmen. There will be a meeting to hear the neighbor's concerns. Pete will let us know when that meeting will take place. Michelle Karas is the new Town IT person. She will manage a Face Book page for us. Toni will write a piece for Ewing Woods. Mary shared Tania's, How to be Proactive list.

Angela will coordinate the overlap between the Master Plan Goals and the Open Space Goals.

Pam Angelakis will not be attending our Aug. 9 meeting to share her thoughts on the school configuration and buildings. We have an Open Space Plan that was adopted by the state and passed at Town Meeting. Goals #48, 49, 52 & 104 reiterate preserving, protecting and expanding open space.

Tania is working on Supporting Facts for Open Space.

Pete reported on the Humphrey Street improvements. He shared the Tufts VEP concept design. The next step will be to solicit comments from the community. The Rail Trail effort has been divided into 3 groups. The Selectmen are working on the rights to use the land. Two architects are working on the actual trail design. Marc Barden and Roger Talkov are working on fundraising and PR.

The Master Plan and Regionalization Study Plan Priorities were reviewed.

Planswampscott.com will have progress bars that include vision, progress & plan. Goals will be listed as short term, long term and ongoing. They will be looking for help in assessing the needs and conditions of the town by streets. How to improve the pedestrian and bicyclist experience will be studied. Creating a CPA action group with residence was tabled.

At 9:12 PM Jim made a motion to adjourn. Toni second. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Pruett