Town of Colchester Open Space Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes Regular Meeting of 11/8/21

Members Present: Lindsy Floyd, Kris Barnard, Mary Stevens, BOS Liaison Rosemary Coyle and Town Staff
Jay Gigliotti

Members Absent: Chairman Will Hochholzer, Vice Chairman Ted Fuini

- 1. <u>Call Meeting to Order:</u> Lindsy Floyd chaired the 11/8/21 OSAC meeting in the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman. Interim Chair Lindsy Floyd called the 11/8/21 OSAC Meeting to order at 6:00pm
- 2. Citizens Comments: None
- 3. Approval of the 10/18/21 Meeting Minutes:

Kris Barnard motioned to approve the 10/18/21 OSAC meeting minutes as written. Seconded by Mary Stevens. Mary Stevens abstained. All other members voted in Favor. Motion Carried.

4. Open Space:

A. Open Space Acquisition-Middletown Road

Jay Gigliotti explained the Town shall be closing on the Middletown Road Open Space Property this upcoming Friday. It has been almost a year and a half since the Town submitted a grant application to CT DEEP in order to acquire the land. Jay Gigliotti wanted to extend his appreciation to the sellers for hanging in with the Town while the purchase was finialized. Once closed, Jay Gigliotti shall send the commission members an email informing them of the closing.

B. Browns Mill DECD Brownfield Assessment Program Grant

Jay Gigliotti explained the Town is working with the DECD program to complete an assistance agreement for the brownfield assessment grant funds. Once the contract is in place, the assessment work can commence.

C. Airline Trail Master Plan

Jay Gigliotti explained the Town took park in a grant to develop an Airline Trail Master Plan. The Master Plan shall provide goals, recommendations and partnerships for the 12 Towns which the Airline Trail passes through. This grant was awarded in September of 2019 and is recently gaining speed. Lindsy Floyd asked about a completion date. Jay Gigliotti explained the work is starting move quick, but there is a lot left to do. He is estimating 6 months from today. Mr. Gigliotti will keep the OSAC informed as the grant moves forward.

Any Other Business Deemed Necessary: 2022 Open Space Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule

Jay Gigliotti presented the OSAC 2022 meeting schedule.

Mary Stevens motioned to approve the OSAC 2022 meeting schedule. Seconded by Kris Barnard. All members voted in Favor. Motion Carried.

Adjournment

Mary Stevens motioned to adjourn the Regular 11/8/21 Meeting of the Open Space Advisory Committee. Seconded by Kris Barnard. All members voted in favor. Motion Carried.

Interim Chairman Lindsy Floyd adjourned the November 8, 2021 OSAC Meeting at 6:25pm

Respectfully Submitted, Jay Gigliotti