

**Town of Colchester  
Open Space Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
Regular Meeting of 12/13/21**

**Members Present:** Chairman Will Hochholzer, Kris Barnard, Mary Stevens, BOS Liaison Rosemary Coyle and Town Staff Jay Gigliotti

**Members Absent:** Vice Chairman Ted Fuini and Lindsay Floyd

1. **Call Meeting to Order:** Chairman Will Hochholzer called the 12/13/21 OSAC Meeting to order at 6:00pm

2. **Citizens Comments:** None

3. **Approval of the 11/8/21 Meeting Minutes:**

Kris Barnard motioned to approve the 11/8/21 OSAC meeting minutes as written. Seconded by Mary Stevens. Will Hochholzer abstained. All other members voted in Favor. Motion Carried.

4. **Open Space:**

**A. Open Space Acquisition- Middletown Road**

Jay Gigliotti explained the Town closed on the 75 acre open space property in November. The property has been surveyed and the boundaries have been marked. Access to the property off of Route 16 is limited and unsafe. Per a condition of the awarded DEEP grant, the Town must install a small parking lot with access from Route 16. Jay Gigliotti provided the OSAC with a rendition and design plans for the new parking lot. The Planning & Zoning Department shall be submitting an application to the Town's ARPA Committee for recommended funding of the parking lot. A cost estimate, prepared by the Town Engineer, details \$53,933 in funds to be requested from the ARPA committee, for the parking lot construction. Trails, a picnic area and other volunteer work will be completed once the parking lot is installed. Jay Gigliotti explained until the parking lot and access has been constructed, the Town could not promote the public use of the property, due to the unsafe conditions. Several other conditions of the grant are still being finalized.

**Any Other Business Deemed Necessary:**

Election of Officers was tabled until a full OSAC membership was present.

**Adjournment**

Mary Stevens motioned to adjourn the Regular 12/13/21 Meeting of the Open Space Advisory Committee. Seconded by Kris Barnard. All members voted in favor. Motion Carried.

Chairman Will Hochholzer adjourned the December 13, 2021 OSAC Meeting at 6:23pm

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jay Gigliotti

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