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## OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, October 10, 2023 - 6:00 PM
First Selectman's Conference Room – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor
MINUTES

Members Present: Chairman William Hochholzer Jr., Vice Chairman Ted Fuini, Mary Stevens, and Alexis Devlin, Rosemary Coyle via Phone (BOS Liaison), Wetlands Agent Daniel Hickey

Members Absent: Kris Barnard, Sarah Smith-Levine

Also Present: Parks Director Tiffany Quinn

- 1. Call to Order Chairman W. Hochholzer called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm.
- 2. Citizen Comments- None
- **3.** Approval of Minutes- Commissioner M. Stevens made the motion and Vice-Chairman T. Fuini seconded the motion to approve the minutes of September 12, 2023. Motion passed 3-0. M. Stevens abstained.
- 4. Discussion of Update of 2006 Open Space Plan –W. Hochholzer gave T. Quinn a run down on the 2006 Open Space Plan, followed by a request for an update to the Rec Plex. T. Quinn updated the committee on on-going and completed projects including the new irrigation system, new playgrounds, and pickle ball court (former skate park). T. Quinn informed the Committee about plans for a skating pond down below the R8 field (football field). T. Quinn proposed an app and/or a conjoined website for walking trails, Open Space, and Park info for the public to utilize, T. Quinn then informed the committee about the existing Parks & Facilities page on the town's website.
- 5. Discussion of Open Space Parcel on Middletown Road (former Sablitz Property) Construction on the open space parking lot has been completed. A. Devlin presented blank petition forms for the naming and signage for the former Sablitz property. T. Quinn stated there was an order for a sign in process. W. Hocholzer tasked D. Hickey to update the committee on the naming process the BOS has conducted for the next meeting.
- **6. Any Other Business Deemed Necessary –**W. Hochholzer reviewed a letter, to the committee, from the Town Clerks office regarding dates and times necessary for posting minutes, motions, and agendas.
- 7. Adjournment M. Stevens made the motion and T. Fuini seconded the motion to end the meeting. Motion passed unanimously (4-0). Meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel Hickey, Wetlands Agent