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OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING Monday, December 11, 2023 - 6:00 PM Town Hall – Meeting Room 2

MINUTES

2023 DEC 12 AM 10: 31

Members Present: Chairman William Hochholzer Jr., Mary Stevens, Alexis Devlin, Sarah Smith-Levine, Rosemary Coyle (BOS Liaison), Wetlands Agent Daniel Hickey

Members Absent: Kris Barnard, Vice-Chair Ted Fuini

- 1. Call to Order Chairman W. Hochholzer called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.
- 2. Citizen Comments None
- **3. Approval of Minutes -** M. Stevens made a motion seconded by S. Smith-Levine to approve the minutes of October 10, 2023. All were in favor, motion passed 4-0.
- 4. Discussion of Update of 2006 Open Space Plan W. Hochholzer discussed with the committee an Open Space related survey for the residents of Colchester, the survey would bridge all types of Open Space together to inform the public of what Open Space truly is. D. Hickey presented a draft for the survey with 15 questions, the committee discussed the number of questions needed and the topics that they should cover. W. Hochholzer requested that the members of the committee come up with a couple of questions of their own for the survey to discuss at the next regular meeting.
- 5. Discussion of Open Space Parcel on Middletown Road (former Sablitz Property) The committee discussed the Naming Facilities/Areas and Recognition process, R. Coyle informed the committee about the details of the process. D. Hickey presented a draft for a petition to name the former Sablitz property "Pine Brook Preserve". M. Stevens made the motion to approve the language of the petition, seconded by S. Smith-Levine. All were in favor, motion passed 4-0.
- 6. Any Other Business Deemed Necessary
 - A. Review and approve 2024 Regular Meeting Schedule M. Stevens made the motion to approve the 2024 Regular Meeting Schedule, seconded by S. Smith-Levine. All were in favor, motion passed 4-0.
 - B. Elections for 2024 officers W. Hochholzer postponed elections to the next regular meeting.
- 7. Adjournment M. Stevens made the motion to end the meeting, seconded by S. Smith-Levine. Motion passed 4-0. All were in favor, meeting adjourned at 6:23 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Daniel Hickey, Wetlands Agent