

Shelburne Open Space Committee Minutes, January 28, 2013

Meeting came to order at 7:05PM.

Present: David Schochet, Larry Flaccus, Cynthia Boettner, Daniel Lieberman, Doug Finn, Norman Beebe. DL served as secretary.

No minutes.

Announcements:

1. Mass Agricultural Commission Conference
2. Mass Land Conservation
3. Keystone

Discussion of OSRP Survey:

1. 200+ responses in Survey Monkey. 80 or so to enter.
2. Samson Manufacturing donated envelopes, Scott Sampson to be thanked.
3. FRCOG has been asked for guidance on use of survey results. Also possible help with data entry. DL can help as well.
4. Next steps: we need to develop workgroups for goals & objectives.
5. Should we hold a public meeting to report results?
6. Should we inform workshop attendees about progress - No wait until we're announcing public meeting.
7. Kimberly from FRCOG will help.

Doug Finn from Planning board reports that they're trying to clean up the wording on ~~proposed draft subdivision regulations~~ existing zoning bylaws. Should be ready for next town meeting. Copies of existing regs in town office.

OSC expressed interest in researching model subdivision bylaws which encourage land conservation.

Linda Herrera reports that the Shelburne Agriculture Committee is nearly

impossible to convene.

Discussion of trails and trail use:

1. Trustees of Reservations might be interested in helping manage the Potholes in return for completion of the Mohawk-Mahican Trail.
2. Recreation committee examining the possibility of town watershed land being opened to recreational use by the Shelburne Fire District. (Norm)
3. Is the Ashfield trail system a possible model for us? How has it worked for the stakeholders, including both landowners and trail users?

Rainville Property:

1. 88 acres is up for sale. It will not be divided, buyer must take whole thing. Zoned industrial, at least in part.
2. Town passed on it previously. It is now out of Chapters. 3. Cindy will contact Mass Audubon to find out if they're aware of the property.
4. David will contact Franklin County Land Trust to alert them to the availability of the property.

Further actions:

David will write a letter of condolence to Mrs. Perry on the death of Stan Perry, also expressing the thanks of the OSC for Stan's work on trails, etc.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00PM