

Open Space Committee January 18th,2000

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Called to order at 7:15PM Present: Celine Gandolfo (Chair), Barbara Sullivan, Fred Berger, Hatty Walker Fitts

Discussion of minutes:

Regarding the previous minutes that have not been approved, Hatty gave copies of the minutes to Celine and it was agreed that she would make a set of copies for each member of the Committee to be approved at the next meeting.

Regarding the minutes of January 4th, 2000, Barbara moved to approve, Fred seconded it the minutes as submitted All present voted in favor: Hatty Walker Fitts, Celine Gandolfo, Fred Berger, Barbara Sullivan.

Old Business:

Barbara reported that the process used to request an appraisal on the Locke Property be approved by the Selectman was as she had formerly indicated--that the formal request, signed by all the committee members was delivered to Keith Bergman, Town Manager, the following day (10:00 AM on January 5th, 2000. This then was placed on the Selectman's agenda for the meeting of January 10th, 2000. We will follow this procedure in all subsequent actions.

Shankpainter Pond Management Plan:

Celine indicated that she would double check with Keith Bergman that he received the cover letter and copy of the draft from Mark Robinson and that he has circulated some to the other Committees that need to review and make comments on the Plan. It is hoped that these comments will be back to the Open Space Committee by February 10th.

Acquisition Discussion:

There was a general discussion as to the steps to take once the approval is received. There was also a discussion about how the funds flow and how the Match from the State works.

The Committee reviewed Barbara's highlighted areas of the 1995 Open Space and Recreation Plan as that pertained to the properties the Committees is studying. She will put a cover letter to the highlighted report which will be presented to the Financial Committee for their meeting of January 25th, 2000. This material is to clarify how the Locke property ties into the concept of the Greenway.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday January 25th at 8:00PM in the Caucus Hall .

It was noted that the Committee will ask Ken Learned to attend a future meeting.

Barbara nominated Celine Gandolfo and Robin Evans to be Co-Chairs of the Committee. Everyone agreed: Barbara Sullivan, Hatty Walker Fitts, Fred Berger, Celine Gandolfo (Note: this vote was taken again because Celine was listed as an alternate until tonight)

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45PM

Hatty Walker Fitts
Acting Secretary