

Open Space Committee Meeting

December 20, 2005

Meeting called to order at 10AM

Members present: Steve, Ron, Robin, Celine

Minutes approved for 10/7/05. Motion to approve by Steve, second by Ron. Unanimous.

I Acquisition of Theatre Co. property

341,000\$ as assessed value is lowest the PTC will accept; they request market value.

Town does not do appraisals; did in past on Locke property secondary to state's requirement for matching grant..

Town Manager to reserch state monies. Town can then offer LBF of 125,000-150,000\$ and apply for remainder from state. He will contact PTC and negotiate.

II Shankpainter Update

Confusion as to meeting needed on Uplands between OSC and ConCom. ConCom regrets no survey done but will use in future.

Celine voiced concern about raised sides of pathways. Ron, as supervisor of project, agreed to goal to request turtle expert from CCNS to revisit site and evaluate trail and deck.

Celine to contact Brian Carlson and CCNS turtle expert.

Ron will order benches for deck if money available.

III Railroad Bed

Grant money for hardener for railroad right-of-way. Need to have meeting with ConCom in order to go forward. Robin will call to see if can get on agenda for Jan 3rd. Grant is for handicap accessiblity specifically. Will find out if OSC can change that.

Meeting adjourned 11:20AM