

ACTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

AGENDA

JULY 21, 2010

6:00 PM

Town Hall - 472 Main Street - Room 204

Working Meeting – Update Open Space & Recreation Plan

MINUTES

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| June 2 | comments rec'd by | FP, TM, PL | Signature |
| June 16 | “ “ “ | TM, TMak, FP | “ |
| July 7 | “ “ “ | TMak, FP | |

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COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Terry Maitland, Fran Portante, Tom Arnold, William Froberg, Patty Lee, Andrew Magee

ASSOCIATE MEMBER(S): none present

RECORDING SECRETARY & CONSERVATION ADMINISTRATOR: Tom Tidman

VISITORS: none present

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Mr. Magee outlined the requirements listed in the State's Open Space & Recreation Plan Workbook and what has been done to date by various members of the Open Space Committee (OSC). Mr. Magee also mentioned that Peter Ashton organized and conducted a survey and presented findings to the Board of Selectmen.

Mr. Arnold stated that he would like to see the results of the survey; that might help in setting priorities for the new report.

Acton Item: Mr. Magee stated that he will send a copy of the survey and Mr. Ashton's Power-Point presentation to Commissioners.

Ms. Lee noted that the Commission needs to establish what the goals are; there should be three to four primary things to be achieved. Establishing goals and objectives should be the primary task. Ms. Lee provided a copy of Arlington's Open Space & Recreation Plan (OSRP) noting that it was done by an outside consultant. Commissioners agreed that Arlington's plan was visually effective and easy to follow.

Action Item: Mr. Tidman stated that he will make hard copies of Arlington OSRP for Commissioners.

Mr. Maitland reported that the State ultimately will need to approve the plan so the State's guidelines should be followed closely.

Mr. Magee suggested that Commissioners be ready to discuss the survey results at their next meeting, and then decide if the priorities and principal goals have changed.

Ms. Lee stated that the State recommends establishing broad goals.

Ms. Portante reported that she would like a copy of Acton's existing OSRP; she is unable to print from the town website.

Action Item: Mr. Tidman stated that he will make copies of Acton's previous OSRP for Commissioners that don't have one.

Commissioners discussed the lack of Recreation input in the previous plan and what might be done now to increase Recreation's impact in the new report.

Ms. Lee reported that "end of year" surveys are sent out by each of the town leagues at the end of each season, topics such as field conditions are discussed.

The Commission agreed to meet on July 28 at 6PM to continue working on the OSRP; assignments and deadlines will be established at that time.

Mr. Arnold will not be able to attend 7/28.

MINUTES

Ms. Portante moved that the Commission accept the minutes of June 2 and June 16, 2010, Mr. Arnold 2nd; unanimous.

Open Meeting Law Workshop – the Commission discussed attending the workshop and adjourned to allow time to attend.

6:50 Meeting adjourned.



Terry Matland
Chair

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