Meeting of the Open Space Committee Hanover Town Hall, 2nd Floor Meeting Room Minutes for October 1, 2018 Meeting

Meeting opened at 7:00 pm.

Present: Harold Thomas, Mary Dunn, Bob Meader, John Ferraro

Joe Grecco

Guest: Sandy MacFarlane

Approved minutes from August Meeting (no quorum at September meeting), by unanimous vote.

Capital Projects:

Conservation Agent Sandy MacFarlane attended to let us know we need to submit requests for capital projects foreseen in the next five years as per a request from the Town Manager. We discussed definition of a capital project. Committee did not envision any requests, but will bring forward if any anticipated.

Sandy also let us know that a monthly report of committee activities is now required, as per the Acting Director of Community Services/Municipal Inspections. Our Annual Report is due on October 15.

Eagle Projects:

Christian Lyttle's trail and kiosk construction at Folly Hill property was completed and showcased at our September 29 public walk. Signage has yet to be done.

Alex Jassie still plans to start work on Shinglemill Brook property (two bridges). He is getting estimate on cost of materials.

No update from Scouts Reiddy or Andruk on Chapman's Landing projects.

Trail Maintenance:

Nava: Annual mowing of Nava Field has been requested. Chuck Nudd to complete. Bob will look at possible tree down at back of field.

Garden area next to parking lot at Nava overgrown. Duke asked Jim Vaille to estimate cost of clearing. Perhaps plant with wildflowers that could be mowed each year. Mary to follow-up with Jim Vaille.

Folly Hill: Marking sorely needed. Some trees over trail need to be cut. Bridges over brooks needed on the trail to Senior Housing.

Denham: Parking area needed close to road. Dirt road to pond very low and muddy. Mary has spoken to Sandy about. Will follow-up.

We recently learned that the RTP grant request for the Indian Head River corridor trail project has been approved! Mary will contact Wildlands Trust for next steps.

Conservation Restrictions: No update

Trail Walks:

October 27 Firehouse Loop co-sponsored with Hanover Historical Society. November 24 Senior Center? Contact COA for co-sponsorship.

Fireworks Clean-up. Continued Work.

Cardinal Cushing property. Possible appraisal of this property being discussed as method of moving a conservation purchase forward. Response to RFP not known.

Potential Acquisitions. Planning Board requested opinion on a Nash Landing property. Hal will speak to John Doherty about desirability for horse trails.

Next OSC meeting November 5, 2018 Submitted by Mary Dunn

Documents provided at the meeting:

- 10/1/18 Agenda
- 8/1/18 draft Minutes
- Invoice for work at Nava site