

Lancaster Open Space & Recreation Committee Minutes
Wednesday, February 22, 2017, 4:00 PM
Lancaster Town Hall

In attendance: Noreen Piazza, Christa Duprey, Tim Castner, David Koonce

Also in attendance: Cliff McMullan, Snow Riders of the Nashaway

Minutes

Noreen Piazza circulated the minutes from the 1/18 meeting. No changes or corrections were noted.

Lancaster Snowmobile Club

Cliff McMullan of the new Lancaster snowmobile club, called *Snow Riders of the Nashaway*, introduced their organization, and offered to partner with other outdoor groups within Lancaster to enhance the outdoor experience of our fields, woodlands and trails. They would like to provide input into the update of the OSRP, and also work with the OSRC, Recreation Committee, Lancaster Trail & Bikeway Coalition, and the Conservation Commission to plan for snowmobile trails/spaces and to also help to maintain these areas.

The OSRC welcomed their organization and gratefully accepted their offer to assist with planning and maintenance. They were encouraged to attend the OSRP public forum on 3/8, and the next LTBC meeting whose next meeting will be in the spring.

Update – Open Space and Recreation Plan – 2017

Survey

N. Piazza distributed a second draft of the OSRP survey with comments incorporated from the Recreation Committee, Conservation Agent and Tim Castner. All members were asked to return their comments by 2/27. We would like to send out the survey, both electronically and to every household, by 3/1.

Public Forum

The public forum will be held on Wednesday, 3/8, 7:00 PM, at the Senior Center. A public forum flyer was designed and has been posted on the Town's web site, in the Town newsletters, on the cable TV bulletin board, on the Recreation Committee's Facebook page, on the school's web sites, and was distributed at the Library, Community/Senior Center, Town Hall, and both Post Offices.

N. Piazza will send out breakout session questions for the committee to review and comment. There will need to be a facilitator assigned to each group. The groups will be:

- Open Space and Natural Resources
- Recreation Resources
- Senior Resources

Chapters

N. Piazza sent out the current OSRP chapters (in Word) for committee members to review and update according to their assignments. Chapters 1 and 2 were distributed and members made some edits to the documents. First drafts of Chapters 3 and 4 should be made available for the 3/22 OSRC meeting.

Update – Parcel Transfers

Town Forest

Parcels 33-82 and 33-82A (former Hawkins parcels) will be transferred from BOS ownership to Conservation Commission ownership for May ATM. David Koonce will draft the warrant article.

D. Koonce will also draft a warrant article for transfer of the appraisal funds for the Dymont/Dolan parcels from the LAND Grant.

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Parcels 14-18 and 18-65 will also be transferred from the BOS to the Conservation Commission. D. Koonce will also draft the warrant article.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the OSRC will be held on 3/22. An agenda is forthcoming.