

**OPEN SPACE AND FARMLAND PRESERVATION COUNCIL
MINUTES
MARCH 22, 2007**

At 7:34 pm, Ms. Butch called the meeting to order.

The Secretary read the Adequate Notice.

Roll Call:

Present: Alves, Butch, Morelli, Romano, Schloss, Siedman, Wingerter
Late: Abilheira (7:41)
Absent: Blanco, Denardo, Mullarkey

Public Comment

The public comment portion of the meeting opened and closed at 7:35 pm.

Correspondence

Ms. Butch reviewed the correspondence section of the agenda.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Romano made a motion to approve the minutes of February 22, 2007, and Mr. Alves offered a second. All in favor.

Special Presentation

- Mr. Wingerter and Ms. Helen Varvi, Drug Alliance Chairwoman, provided a presentation on underage drinking. The presentation included a DVD, entitled *This Place*, as well as a packet of information. The video was shown to the Recreation Commission last month and may be shown at parent meetings.

Old Business

- Trails – The Trail map has not yet been finalized pending modifications to the Master Plan.
- Baird Road/Waters 40 acres - Mr. Matt Shafai, Township Engineer, announced road projects in this week's Township Committee meeting. Mr. Wingerter will remind him that the holes on this site should be filled and the vegetation removed. The Department of Public Works can then maintain the property.
- Lichtman Management Agreement – Simon Kaufman, OSFP attorney, has sent the paperwork back to the State for review.
- Streets, Open Space, & Parks Map – The printer provided a blue line copy of the map for comments. Two of the large ads were grainy and required replacement. The final map should be ready within two weeks.

- Communication – The Agricultural Advisory Council now has a Trading Post on the web. Ads for land, farm equipment, and such can be posted.
- OSFP Fundraiser – The upcoming OSFP Clambake was discussed. Mr. Abilheira made a motion and Ms. Morelli offered a second to approve the fundraiser.
Roll Call Vote: Aye: Alves, Butch, Morelli, Romano, Schloss, Siedman, Wingerter
 - The date is set for Sunday, June 3, 2006, from 1 – 5 pm—rain or shine.
 - The Clarksburg Inn will allow us to use the indoor space as well as the tent area for \$900. They will also supply two cooks, the grills, tables, ice, etc.
 - The After Effect, a local teen jazz band, will perform.
 - The Clarksburg Inn will sell beer and wine.
 - Mr. Wingerter provided a revenue and expense projection that estimates a profit of approximately \$5000.
 - The Trailblazers will sponsor the 50/50 and provide volunteer support.

New Business

- Bridges – Ms. Butch mentioned that three bridges are scheduled to be redone by the County. As part of the reconstruction, Mr. Matt Shafai is asking that the widening provide for ample space for pedestrian traffic.
- Neighborhood Meetings – In an effort to close gaps in the trail system, Ms. Butch is coordinating a series of neighborhood meetings. Mr. Romano will be hosting his Backbone Hill/Stillhouse Road neighbors.

Events

- The Township is hosting a public meeting for the recreation study on April 25, 2007. The time and place have yet to be determined. The purpose of the meeting is to allow the public to voice their concerns about the Township's recreation needs as well as the results of the Needs Analysis that has already been conducted.

Committee Reports

- **Finance:** Mr. Abilheira mentioned that the Township has funds to cover all of the projects that are currently underway.
- **Signage:** No report at this time.
- **Public Relations / Publications:** The spring bulletin has been printed and is available at both municipal buildings. Copies will be placed around town when the maps are distributed. Residents will receive a copy in the March mailer. The summer bulletin will include the following: Clambake results, Right to Farm, Green Acres funding program, manure disposition, what our volunteers are working on, and a spotlight on a local farm or two. The deadline for articles will be June 10.

- **Legislative Awareness:** Mr. Romano provided the Council with information on an Animal Cruelty bill. A copy of the letter outlining the issues with the bill will be scanned and posted to the website.
- **Planning Board / Board of Adjustment Applications:** The trail for the Perl North and South subdivision was granted at the last Planning Board meeting.

Mr. Alves made a motion to go into Executive Session at 9:11 pm. Mr. Wingerter offered a second. All in favor.

At 9:42 pm, the Council returned to the Regular Session.

At 9:42 pm, Mr. Wingerter offered a motion to adjourn. Mr. Romano offered a second. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Naugle