

**TOWN OF COLCHESTER
OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, December 9, 2014
COLCHESTER TOWN HALL – 6:00 P.M.
Regular Meeting Minutes**

Members Present: Chairman Nick Norton, Mary Stevens, Ted Fuini , William Hochholzer

Members Absent:

Others Attending: Rosemary Coyle, Adam Turner

1. **Call Meeting to Order:** Chairman Norton called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
2. **Citizens Comments:** None
3. **Approval of the April 8, 2014 Meeting Minutes**

Ted Fuini motioned to approve the June 10, 2014 minutes.
Seconded by M Stevens; **Motion Carried by a 4-0 vote**

4. **Tony's Junkyard**

Staff reviewed the progress made in cleaning up the Tony's Junkyard parcel on Old Amston Road. He explained the process and outlined the steps moving forward including elimination of the remaining tires. He expressed appreciation to the family and reported on the visual improvement to the site

5. **Morach purchase**

Staff reported that the Town had received a DEEP acquisition grant for the Morach parcel. The grant provided funding for purchase of the 12 acre parcel directly south of the Ruby Cohen holding. Staff further explained the matching requirements and the process for land transfer

6. **Land acquisition grant round**

Staff reported that an additional round of funding for open space had been announced with applications being accepted up until March 2015. Committee members were urged to provide options for the next meeting. Discussion was had on the possible parcels for inclusion in the grant

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7. Any Other Business Deemed Necessary

Chairman Norton asked whether the schedule of meetings for 2015 had been forwarded to the State. Adam Turner indicated that it had been.

8. Adjournment

Ted Fuini motioned to adjourn the meeting

Seconded by M Stevens; **Motion Carried by a 4-0 vote**