

**TOWN OF COLCHESTER
OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, January 13, 2015
COLCHESTER TOWN HALL – 6:00 P.M.
Regular Meeting Minutes**

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

Members Absent: Ted Fuini

Others Attending: Rosemary Coyle, Adam Turner

1. **Call Meeting to Order:** Chairman Norton called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.
2. **Citizens Comments:** None
3. **Approval of the April 8, 2014 Meeting Minutes**

Mary Stevens motioned to approve the December 9, 2014 minutes.
Seconded by William Hochholzer; **Motion Carried by a 3-0 vote**

4. **Open Space – Gavire Estates, 11- lot Subdivision – Preliminary Discussion of Proposed Open Space**

Adam Turner discussed the issue and explained that the property had been subdivided in 2002 but the applicant withdrew the subdivision in 2011. He further explained that normally the Town retained open space when a subdivision was withdrawn but in this case the open space was returned because the proposed open space had limited access and was not adjacent to nay Town holdings. He did point out the Salmon State forest was adjacent to the proposed subdivision.

Discussion centered on whether the town should accept the proposed open space parcel or whether the town should accept fee in lieu as the town was hesitant to accept land that was not usable. Discussion also concerned whether the State would be interested.

Motion: to recommend to the conservation commission that the open space requirement in the Gavire Subidivo0ns be satisfied through fee-in- lieu

Motion by Mary Stevens

Second by Seconded by William Hochholzer; **Motion Carried by a 3-0 vote**

5. Any Other Business Deemed Necessary

Mr. Turner invited members to the January 21, 2015 meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission. He informed members that the Plan of Conservation and Development would be discussed

6. Adjournment

William Hochholzer motioned to adjourn the meeting
Seconded by M Stevens; **Motion Carried by a 4-0 vote**