

**OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE**  
**Town of Deerfield, Massachusetts**  
**January 26, 2009**  
**MINUTES**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ben Clark, Dan LaRoche, Lynn Rose, Bob Underhill (Chair)

The Open Space Committee meeting of the Town of Deerfield was called to order, pursuant to posted notice, in the Town Office Building, 8b Conway Street, South Deerfield, Massachusetts, on January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 7:05 pm.

Minutes from the December 1<sup>st</sup> 2008 meeting were approved unanimously.

B Underhill reviewed the budget from the current fiscal year. \$1000 was appropriated but no funds were spent. The same amount will be requested for the next fiscal year with the possibility of being spent on GIS consultation or map printing fees. These funds will not be necessary if the town is able to cover the expenses using other sources.

The CPC has voted to support the Crowley/Perwak parcel for town funding. Other projects which have not been voted on but which may come up in the future include improving the Tilton Library steps and a study of Senior Housing sites.

L Rose proposed establishing a town group for GIS with representatives from interested committees. Once in place, this group could meet with Clem Clay of the TPL for training on the software. Representatives will be sought from the Cons. Comm., CPC, Planning Board, and Ag. Comm. D LaRoche will contact Clem for scheduling purposes.

Discussion moved to the status of the Gips/Anderson parcel. The FLT was not initially aware of this APR application, and as a result the funding sources were in question. Funding should be made available through town accounts and CPA money. It was agreed that in the future the OSC should notify FLT of all potential town land preservation projects.

D LaRoche reported on upcoming Pictometry training workshop, which he will be attending. This imaging software can supplement GIS, and is funded by the state with high-resolution photographs. He also proposes allocating funds for the purchase of GIS hardware contingent on other town groups contributing.

L Rose reports that the OSC files have been misplaced. B Kubiak is tracking them down.

The next meeting will take place on February 23rd, 2009 at 7:00 pm in the Town Offices.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

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ATTEST: Ben Clark, Committee Clerk