

**OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE**  
**Town of Deerfield, Massachusetts**  
**August 23, 2011**  
**MINUTES**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ben Clark, Corinne Dugas, Judith Kundl, Lynn Rose, Alan Swedlund (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 August 23, 2011 at 7:40pm

Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed and accepted unanimously.

Lynn Rose reviewed DCR grant to develop Forestry Stewardship plan. The town is eligible for up to \$2182.00 for implementation. 2 UMASS students have been identified as potential foresters. Corinne Dugas also has a potential contact for the position. Rose explained the scope and goals of the plan. Hope to give landowners ideas of options for private forest stewardship. This outreach component may access up to \$500.00 in additional funds.

Alan Swedlund reviewed the status of the town's Open Space Plan and began looking at this committee's role in the Open Space Action Plan. Rose suggested updating the Action Plan. Point-by-point review of the plan commenced, and is recorded here.

A1- Rose suggests OSC work on developing a Ridge Protection Bylaw- committee is generally not in favor of taking this on, and decides to shelve the discussion for a later date.

A3- Has been accomplished with Greenprinting process, Rose suggests Clem Clay be invited to discuss this at an upcoming meeting.

B1- Discussion of Wetlands Bylaw, and decision that Conservation Commission would lead this

B3- Water Needs and Supply assessment needs to be town-wide. Rose will check with Bernie Kubiak on how to proceed.

B6- Swedlund suggests using DCTV cable access to run announcement promoting open space preservation.

Dugas offers to table at next Town Meeting to promote open space preservation.

C2- Decided that this is not feasible at this time.

C6- Town Forest Plan is in process of being updated.

C8- Discussion of trail signage and listing of town hiking paths. Dugas will follow up on this.

Alan will speak with Bernie about the necessity of updating the town Open Space Plan. Rose suggests instead putting efforts into updating the Action Plan, Forestry Plan, and Greenprinting Plan.

Ben Clark announced his intention to resign, committee will look for a new appointee to replace.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 11, 2011, 7:00pm at the town hall.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

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ATTEST: Ben Clark, Committee Clerk