

**Minutes for Open Space Committee Meeting, Tuesday, March 24, 2009
7:30 - 9:20 p. m., Teachers' Room, Essex Elementary School**

Present: Julie Scofield, Leslie Burns, Maria Burnham

MOTION: Leslie moved, Maria seconded and it was voted unanimously to accept the minutes of the meeting of February 25, 2009.

- I. The meeting between the Selectmen, the Planning Board and the new town planner was discussed.
 - A. Leslie will call Andrew St. John of the Planning Board about the outcome of the meeting.
 - B. Maria will call Bill Holton, who was also at the meeting, for his view of the outcome.

- II. The Centennial Grove signs were the next topic discussed
 - A. Julie has talked to Paul Goodwin about setting the signs up after the filming there.
 - B. Julie will check the signs, which are now in her garage, for any typos.
 - C. Paul will call Julie if there are any issues with the signs.

- III. Julie has spoken with Susanna Collerado of the Hamilton Open Space Committees.
 - A. They discussed the projects of the Hamilton and Essex Open Space Committees
 - B. Susanna's email address is moosecrossl@verizon.net.

- IV. Leslie brought several open space brochures from other towns to the meeting.
 - A. The brochure should be based on a map.
 1. To be included:
 - a. Difficulty of terrain, eg. whether special shoes are required, etc.,
 - b. Stories about the location, if possible,
 - c. Access, parking
 2. Maps from other organizations
 - a. Leslie will ask Greenbelt about getting one of their maps of Essex properties.
 - b. Maria has called Helen Bethel about the MECT maps –
 - 1) Where to get them printed
 - 2) Programs to use – graphics, not “WORD”
 - 3) Helen will come to our next meeting.
 - c. Julie will call the Essex County Trail Association.
 - B. Leslie will call Annie Barton of the Manchester Conservation Commission about the MCC brochures.
 - C. Properties to be included
 1. Greenbelt
 - a. Cox Reservation
 - b. Warren Weld Reservation
 2. TTOR
 - a. Stavros Reservation (White's Hill)
 - b. Agassiz Rock

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3. MECT
 - a. Bears' Den
 - b. Essex woods
4. Town of Essex
 - a. Centennial Grove
 - b. Memorial Park
 - c. Conomo Point

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 29 at 7:30 p. m. in the Teachers' Room of the Essex Elementary School.