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To: Members of Open Space Committee

From: Tom Dodd

Re: Minutes of meeting Monday, March 10, 2014

Members Attending:

Bill Taylor, Marcella Stasa, Mike Penko, Tom Dodd, Alan Miano

Meeting Timeline:

7:05PM

- Thompson Property
 - o BT and E Arnold met with V Stegemoen, Ranger at Upton State Forest, to discuss property. Haven't heard any news as to whether state is interested
- Hopkinton CPC voted against funding property connected to USF
- GIS training with MP No planned date
- Web Site Content
 - o AM posted Meeting Minutes from previous meetings. Stefans Trail Map now available.
- Open Space Events
 - o Vernal Pool walk keep date flexible
 - o Full Moon walk
 - o Lunar eclipse occurring in April but will be too early in morning (April 15, 3AM)
- Scenic Road Bylaw Nothing new
- Motion to accept Meeting Minutes of 2/10/14 All in Favor
- MP was inquiring about 1985 Open Space Plan whether anyone has seen a copy
- Possibly create a process for Change of Use for Chapter 61
- List of properties to prioritize for Open Space
- Green Communities
 - o BOS voted 2-1 in favor of pursuing Green Communities status
 - O Solar Collector sites Where would this be appropriate for minimum 250kW (~1 acre) for Green Communities. Suggest Sewer, gravel pits, well fields (Industrial areas) could be by-right. All other locations would require a Special Permit. Desirable not to include any property that is suitable Open Space.
 - Green Communities requires 2 town votes to enact
 - Solar Installation by-right
 - Stretch Energy Code (higher Efficiency)

7:55PM Meeting Adjourned

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