

WEST BOYLSTON OPEN SPACE IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Animal Medical Center, Conference Room
29 Prospect Street
West Boylston, MA 01583

Thursday, September 30, 2010

Members Present: Dr. Tashjian, Stephen Woodcock, Ray DeSanti, Barbara Wyatt, Vin Vignaly

Members Absent: Jim Edmundson

Dr. Tashjian called the meeting to order at 7:15. Vignaly to be clerk for the meeting.

The minutes from June 14, 2010 meeting were not available and need to be approved at the next meeting. Approval of the August 30, 2010 minutes was motioned by Ray, seconded by Stephen, and voted unanimously.

New Business:

Dr. Tashjian reviewed the resignation letter from Jim Edmundson. The committee was disappointed to read this and would be willing to reschedule meetings, but Jim's family commitments are the priority. Vin motioned to send a letter thanking him for his service to the town. Barbara seconded the motion and it was voted unanimously.

The October Town Meeting warrant articles that were anticipated to be of interest to the OSIC at this time were discussed. Motion by Barbara, seconded by Stephen, that the Right to Farm, Residential Cluster Development, and Kent Property Acquisition warrant articles be supported by the OSIC. Unanimous.

Discussion of the Franklin Street housing project noted that it has changed the character of that area of town for the worse. Ray stated that this development is too dense and no screening from neighbors or the roadways appears to have been included in the design.

Old Business:

Vinny circulated a first draft of the presentation for the Lee Street (Kent) Acquisition warrant article. Comments from members for improvements will be incorporated into the final version. Vinny will present and support from all members is welcomed!

Dr. Tashjian reviewed the status of the Malden Brook Farm/AVMF, noting that MDAR wants to crush the AVMF opportunities. They have issued an International press release that has received thousands of responses on their internet site and has generated interest from Science Magazine, whose researchers have interviewed persons involved for a future article. The experts at MBF have been consulted to work with people from Nicaragua for possible application of the ideas contained in the AVMF plan.

Next meeting was set for Thursday, October 28 at 7:00 at the Animal Medical Center.

Ray motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:25, seconded by Barbara. Unanimous.

Submitted by: _____ Approved: 11/18/10
Vincent P. Vignaly