

Acton Open Space Committee - Feb 26, 2010 Public Session

Edits from AM, DH, JC Needs vote

Attending: Dick Hatfield, Andy Magee, Peter Ashton, Karen O'Neill, Charlie Carlson, Jeff Clymer, Mike Gowing, Terry Maitland, Jane Ceraso

Staff and visitors: Tom Tidman, Mike Gowing, Susan Mitchell Hardt, and Susan Crane

Peter Ashton opened the meeting at 7:30 AM

Minutes from previous meeting are not yet available. Tom T. will distribute. **7:31 – Motion was made to open EXECUTIVE Session – Move was made to invite the SVT and ACT parties to participate.**

Roll Call vote: All in favor of Executive session

Acton Open Space Committee - Feb 25, 2010 Re-opened at 8:16 AM

Peter Ashton opened the meeting after Executive session.

1. The open space and acquisition policy – vote on last meeting, went thru legal review and selectmen session: The only major change was there was one more “use” added – “deposits to bind offers...”

No questions. Move to approve document as revised, seconded, and unanimously approved by OSC.

2. CPC voted to support the 25K open space acquisition fund, they also voted to set aside 500K for open space.

3. Piper lane – The selectmen talked about possible solutions to the Piper Lane problem.... They ended up with 2 different warrant articles kept on...one to allow purchase of the Piper Road property. The other option – is the CR option – on the warrant Roland is meeting with Piper Road landowner this morning.

4. Karen ONeill suggested that this might be a good time to send new letters to landowners – noting the town has the means and energy to purchase land for conservation, and their land is a priority, but we have limited funds. Charlie recommended we wait until after town meeting. It may be more effective then.

Note: Land purchases require a 2/3 vote to pass town meeting.

Need to approach Kennedy, Conant, Anderson.....go back to Magoon's.

Scheduled to meet again on March 26th. Friday morning at 7:30 AM.

Meeting closed at 8:38AM