

## Open Space Committee

### Minutes

Meeting Aug. 26, 2011

Attending: Peter Ashton, Andy Magee, Dick Hatfield, Karen O'Neill

Jane Ceraso

Charlie Carlson phoned in.

Susan Mitchell-Hardt – guest

Peter Ashton opened meeting at 7:35 AM

Minutes from previous meeting not yet available

Discussion of parcels and their relative priority for potential town acquisition.  
Peter Ashton handed out the attached list.

It was noted that the 4 smaller parcels: Summer Street, Wood Lane, Mildam Trust and Quarry Road have all been evaluated with OSC recommendations complete. No further action is needed by this committee at this time.

The larger parcels are in various stages of availability. Some are already up for sale and others are unknown. The committee discussed the various attributes, including:

- Is it currently at risk for large development?
- estimated cost to purchase
- conservation value
- public interest and value for recreation

The current CPA fund has ~ \$1.5 m and the town has additional bonding capacity. Action items: Susan Mitchell-Hardt of ACT will contact the Newtown Road landowner, Andy Magee, Dick Hatfield, Charlie Carlson and Tom Tidman will review the easement issues with the Main St parcel, and Peter Ashton will give an update on the various projects to the Selectmen.

Next meeting: Friday Sept 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 AM

Respectfully submitted: Karen Oneill



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