

Acton Open Space Committee (OSC)
September 9, 2011- Public Session

Attending: Peter Ashton, Andy Magee, Terry Maitland, Karen O'Neill, Jane Ceraso, Dick Hatfield, Dave Clough. Charlie Carlson phoned in.
Staff and visitors: Tom Tidman, Susan Mitchell Hardt,

Peter opened the meeting at 7:31 AM

Minutes- The July 29 and August 26 minutes were approved unanimously.

Acton 2020- The *Acton 2020 Goals* agenda item was awaiting information from Acton 2020 Committee, and was postponed for discussion until the next meeting.

Parcel Acquisition Costs- Susan Mitchell Hardt advised the committee on costs that the Acton Conservation Trust and Sudbury Valley Trustees have incurred and may incur in connection with various parcels that have been acquired by the town in the past few years and the status of her discussions with town officials regarding payment for these costs. These costs relate to baseline documentation for conservation restrictions (CRs), drafting of CRs, annual stewardship/monitoring, and enforcement.

Caouette-Simeone Property- Karen O'Neill reported that the CR has been drafted and will be presented to the Selectmen this month. She noted that approval of the CR's terms was not unanimous.

Large Parcels Acquisition- Andy Magee and Tom Tidman reported on the discussion held earlier in August by a subcommittee of the OSC that includes them as well as Dick Hatfield and Charlie Carlson. The subcommittee has focused on two large parcels, one on Newtown Road and one on Main Street. Andy reported that the subcommittee will be meeting with the Town Manager shortly to discuss the Main Street parcel. Tom Tidman reported that he is attempting to arrange a meeting with the owner of the Newtown Road property.

Maynard Country Club- A small portion of the Maynard Country Club is in Acton. Andy noted that the Club is going to be sold and discussions are underway with Maynard officials regarding the possibility of a town purchase of this property. Andy and Peter agreed to learn more about this situation and report to the committee.

Motion to adjourn. 8:35

NEXT MEETING: October 7, 2011