

Hopkinton Open Space Committee  
Thursday, February 17, 2011

## **Town Hall/ then Putney Hill Road**

### Approved Minutes

#### Administrative

Attendance: Lucia Kittredge, Dijit Taylor, Susan Zankel, Rob Knight, Bob LaPree

Minutes from January meeting accepted as presented  
Committee members' terms delayed until next meeting  
Dates for next meetings: March 17(at Community Room in library); April 28 (Community Room), May 26 (Community Room), June 16

#### Old Business

- Bohanan
  - Public access – group would prefer walking route signs to be routed wood, not painted. Dijit to contact a possible sign maker.
  - Sign – OSC prefers that the wording on road side sign say Bohanan Farm – Conserved by the Town of Hopkinton and Five Rivers Conservation Trust (leaving out the word forever)
- Website update -The meeting adjourned to the home of Lucia Kittredge, where she showed the work that the consultant has done on the maps for the website. The version looked at was based on Google maps, but allows user to proceed into the trail maps the sub committee has been proposed. Lucia to check with Tim White about what other information he may have conveyed to Neatline or have ready to send to them. Lucia to take over primary contact with Neatline, as she has experience dealing with them.
- Upcoming at Town meeting
  - 6 Warrant Articles to allow conservation easements on the 6 properties that the town has purchased with open space bond money: Carson, Beyer, Ransmeier, Rollins, Rice, Bermuda-Harris
  - Bob share the fabulous photos he has taken to date of open space properties. He offers and committee enthusiastically accepts to prepare photos of open space properties for display at town meeting with the map that the conservation commission plans to display

#### Updates

- Beyer - still moving slowly between Taylor and Audubon, but some progress being made
- Rice – draft conservation easement still being revised by town attorney and reviewed by 5RCT

- Rollins (Taylor) – awaiting finalization of Rice CE, then can be drafted in similar format
- Parcel near Brockway/Carson – No news; Taylor to phone

#### Discussion Items

- Susan feels she can't dedicate enough time to the work of the committee and would like to be replaced. She offers to complete the work she has committed to, the simplified text about Ransmeier and Bohanan for the town website. Group brainstorms other possible members.

#### New Business

- National Trails Day June 14, discussed as a good time to get people out on the open space properties – perhaps with Hopkinton Open Space Passports t make it more interesting for families.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20

Respectfully submitted,

Dijit Taylor, recorder