

Hopkinton Open Space Committee

Thursday, January 13, 2022

Hopkinton Town Hall 7:30 p.m.

Minutes - Accepted 3-10-22

Administration

Present: Dijit Taylor, Lucia Kittredge, Erin Vanden Borre, Bob Lapree, Rob Knight, Ron Klemarczyk

Old Business

December 9, 2021 minutes were accepted.

Annual Report: Submitted by Lucia 1/2/22 with a photo by Bob.

Tyler Landing boat launch: Rob reported that the Select Board met 1/10 to discuss accepting a gift of property from John Blackford, and the accompanying agreement that the property would be sold and the net proceeds go to the HCC Conservation Fund "for use in acquiring conservation land, preferably suitable for concurrent recreational use, and improvements on conservation land to facilitate recreational use." Discussed whether acquiring a conservation easement on a property would be considered "acquiring conservation land." Agreed that John Blackford and/or his attorney, Bob Wells, could be consulted if this question came up. The Select Board is having their attorney review the agreement before they accept the gift and put the sale of the property on the town meeting warrant

Trails and Website: Lucia has been disseminating information about winter parking at trailheads, and getting some good publicity for the trails. She still intends to GPS the route of the Concord - Lake Sunapee Rail Trail from the bandstand to the Stevens Rail Trail. Ron reported that a trail has been constructed around Houston Field as an Eagle Scout project.

Ron made a motion, seconded by Bob, to adjourn to non-public meeting per RSA 91 A:3 ii (d) Acquisition of real estate. Vote was unanimous in favor. Committee adjourned to non-public session at 7:56. Committee returned from non-public session at 8:48. Ron made a motion, seconded by Bob, to seal the minutes until the projects discussed become public or are removed from consideration. Vote was unanimous in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Rob Knight, Secretary

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 10, 2022 7:30.