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Adhoc Open Space and Recreation Planning Committee October 2, 2019

OPENING: The scheduled meeting of the Adhoc Open Space and Recreation Planning Committee opened at 7:00 p.m. The following members were in attendance:

Dennis Clark, Chairman	Present
Russ Fox, Vice Chairman	Present
Dave DeiDolori	Present
John Stadnicki	Present
Craig Samuelsen	Present
David Spina	Present
Bob Horacek	Absent

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Mr. Fox made a motion to accept the minutes of 7/10/19 and 9/4/19. Mr. DeiDolori seconded the motion. The vote of the Committee was unanimous in favor.

DISCUSSION

The Committee discussed purchasing a podium which would include the Town Seal, a light and microphone, and storage shelves. Research will be done on what is available to be more suited to the needs of the Town. If possible, the podium could be free standing, be transportable, and possibly delivered in time for the ribbon cutting ceremony for North Pond.

Chairman Clark presented a draft map. There are segments that are not definitive inclusive of APR land in Chapter 61A that are reserved for perpetuity. Also, property owned by the State and are protected will be revised to a bright red color on the map.

A letter will be issued to all Boards, Committees, and Departments requesting a review of the draft Open Space plan from the Select Board with a return date for corrections or revisions of October 31, 2019.

A summary of the survey will be added to the report. A number of comments included in the survey noted that some of the residents were not aware of open space land within the Town. The Committee will work on a brochure and putting a list on the Town website. Mr. Fox stated that the Select Board is already working on rules and signage for properties as part of a joint effort with the Police, Fire Departments, and the Park & Rec in keeping Southwick as a recreational community. There are also properties that have Conservation deed restrictions that will need to be more clearly defined.

Town officials are also attempting to secure funding for the lake treatments. There may come a time when the lakes may no longer be available for recreational usage due to the rapidly degrading water quality.

The next scheduled meeting is November 6, 2019

Respectfully submitted,	
Jean Nelssen	
Jean Nilsson, Secretary	
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Select Board	
Town Clerk	
Dennis Clark, Chairman	Russ Fox, Vice Chairman
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John Stadnicki	Date