

MINUTES

GREEN SPACE COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2021 WILLIAM L. PULLEN MUNICIPAL BUILDING MEETING ROOM 6:30 p.m.

Members present :

Kathleen Thornton, Heather Jackson, Wendy Reinemann, Donald Kleiner, Joshua White, Select Board Representative and Voting Member, and Clairlynn Rountree.

Jay Feyler Town Manager and 2 interested members of the public.

Minutes of the last meeting approved with corrections.

Public comment from Tim Hawke from North Union. Asking that natural resources, cultural history and archeological significance be taken in to account in the committees thinking. He urged that green space be kept in its natural state.

Members then reported on their findings on various aspects of conservation easements, management and legal structure that they had investigated.

Discussion that we are to make recommendations to the selectboard. Committee discussed also reporting on other possible options with pros and cons of each to assist the board in making their decision.

The land trusts with possible interest would be the Georges River Land Trust and the Mid Coast Conservancy. Wondering if it is a possible cooperative effort since the Coggins Hill piece is in both the Georges and Medomak watersheds.

As a next step forward members are asked to come to the next meeting with a proposal for what they see as the best method of conserving this piece including what they see as the pros and cons of their choice.

The committee will work to fill out that list of options working toward a recommendation and marking any spending items that will be needed in the near future (i.e. Land Survey, Legal fees).

Next meeting scheduled for December 15 at 6:30 PM at the town office.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Recording Secretary,

Don Kleiner