

MINUTES

GREEN SPACE COMMITTEE THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2023 HELD OUTSIDE THE WILLIAM L. PULLEN MUNICIPAL BUILDING 6:30 p.m.

Committee members present: Kathleen Thornton (Chair), Wendy Reinemann, Clairlynn Rountree, Josh White, and Heather Jackson

Others present: None.

1. Meeting called to order: 6:39 p.m. by Kathleen Thornton.

2. Reading and approval of minutes:

Motion to approve minutes from February 2, 2023 (by Don Kleiner) by: Josh White
2nd by: Kathleen Thornton
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Kathleen will send copies of the March 30 and April 20 minutes for review before the next meeting.

3. Public comment: None.

4. Discussion of voting on a recommendation for the Select Board:

Each member to present their reasons for their preferred way to preserve and protect the property (deed restriction vs. third party easement), and then take a formal vote on the choice that they want presented to the select board.

Kathleen said they need to decide how they wish to present the results of the vote to the select board.

Wendy said if it is a split vote, create a summary to present to the select board about why this is the case. Come up with a few bullet points for each topic.

Heather said the lease for Wyman's Blueberry runs out in early October. They ought to look at the lease to see if there are any recommendations that they'd like to make to the select board before the lease is renewed. Heather will email a copy to everyone for review.

Wendy said they need to get clarity about what type of public feedback they want/need, and how to effectively get that public feedback (i.e., survey, focus groups).

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Josh said they should explore the pros and cons of transforming the Green Space Committee into a Conservation Committee. Identify and discuss initial steps needed to become a Conservation Committee. Vote on whether or not to pursue becoming a Conservation Committee, and present the result of that vote to the select board.

5. Set date for next meeting: June 7 at 6:30 p.m.

6. Adjourn:

Motion by: Josh White
2nd by: Wendy Reinemann
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Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Abaldo (via Heather Jackson)
Secretary