

Open Space and Recreation Plan Update Committee
Minutes
September 20, 2007

PRESENT: Jan Hardenbergh, Susan Iuliano, Chris Morely, Susan Asbedian-Ciaffi, Lynne Remington, Dennis Mannone, John Sklenak, Jack Braim, Laura Abrams, Jody Kablack

Meeting was called to order 9:00 AM. A quorum was present.

1. Recap and Overview

J. Kablack reviewed what has been accomplished since the last meeting:

- The survey is up and running on-line.
- The survey was handed out at Sudbury Day.
- Park & Rec, the Sudbury Water District and Sudbury Valley Trustees have agreed to send the survey out to their email lists.

The committee also suggested that any other groups with email lists should be asked to do the same, including the Council on Aging, the Sudbury Public Schools and LSRHS.

2. Draft Plan

Jan will format the draft plan. Members should use care if editing electronically. It was suggested that edits should be done on paper, and one person will compile revisions. Members were asked to begin reading the editing the plan. Any documents or sources used as research should be listed as references in the Plan.

3. Public Forum

The public forum is scheduled for October 18th , 7:30 pm at the Goodnow Library. Prior to the meeting the draft plan, the goals and objectives, draft priorities/criteria and a draft parcel list would all be fine tuned. Invitations will be mailed to major landowners, as well as typical publicity for the event (cable TV, Town Crier, Boston Globe, etc).

The draft agenda for the forum includes:

- Background of what the Plan is, and why we are doing it
- A slide show of parcels identified in the 1998-2002 Open Space and Recreation Plan, showing how the different parcels have been preserved/developed
- Confirmation by participants on the goals of the plan (need to determine how to do this)
- Identification of priorities (parcels) for preservation/recreation (need to determine how to do this)

The committee should be ready to respond to any negative comments, which may include issues associated with the rail trail.

4. Other input: J. Kablack will be meeting with the Park & Recreation Commission on 9/25 to get their feedback on the Plan goals and objectives.

5. Members of the committee felt that site visits of some of the properties was needed in order to get a better understanding of them. J. Kablack will schedule this. Members should identify which parcels they are not familiar with so we can minimize the amount of time for the visits.

6: Criteria

In discussing the criteria the committee will use to decide which parcels are ultimately in the Plan, the group reviewed the criteria established by the Land Use Priorities Committee in 2002. That committee spent much time and effort developing criteria which they thought reflected the Town's goals, and were objective instead of based on opinion or perception. J. Kablack will create a spreadsheet for the committee members to evaluate the draft parcels using these criteria.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 AM.

Next Meeting: **October 4, 2007 at 9:00 AM**

- Report results of the Survey to date.
- Review LUPC criteria and begin evaluating parcels.
- Prepare for the public meeting on 10/18.
- Review edits to the draft Plan.

Future Meetings:

Thursday, Oct. 18, 9:00 AM

Thursday, Oct. 18, 7:30 PM

Thursday, Nov. 1, 9:00 AM