Open Space Committee Meeting January 23, 2017

Meeting called to order 7:00 pm

Members Present-David Schochet, Larry Flaccus, Norm Beebe, Linda Herrera, Arlene Patenaude, Jim Perry

Linda appointed Secretary Pro Tem

The minutes from November, 2016 meeting were reviewed, minor corrections made and accepted

Announcements

Keystone Training being offered in Petersham in April, please let David know if anyone wants to attend. (Larry will be forwarding application)

Mass Land Conservation Conference in Worcester on March 25th. It is hosted by Mass Land Trust Coalition more information at www.MassLand.org/conference

Citizen Planning Training Collaborative Spring Conference is March 18th. Their seminar is in Land Use Planning

Deerfield Watershed Committee is looking for new members, they meet once every month, and Jim Perry has more information

OSPR Update

The Tree Survey in the village has a map with tree's identity labeled. FRCOG, through a Technical Assistance grant, has a possibility of funding for tree surveys. (Selectboard has included the tree survey in its technical assistance request for Shelburne Falls) OSC will await further work on the possible village tree walk, tree signs, and contacting interested residents until FRCOG responses.

Mary Chicoine (FRCOG) is the contact person.

Carmela Lanza-Weil(Director of Greater Shelburne Business Assoc.) and Peggy Warwick are people OSC might want to keep in touch with regarding this project. Jimmy Richardson will be kept updated on this project.

The M & M Trail will now be maintained by the Land Trust, Deerfield Watershed has turned that project over for this year. FRCOG has applied for a DCR Recreational Trails grant to upgrade the trail: we will write a letter of support to DCR.

Shelburne Trail maps are now available on line at the town site. All Town maps not already on-line---including the ones in our Library--- will be put on line in May, according to Assistant Assessor Jennifer Morse.

Recreation Committee – paving for tennis courts on schedule for July, still looking for a playground area within town, working with Buckland regarding pool closing at the Buckland Rec this summer

Meeting adjourned 8:10 Next meeting February 27, 2017