

Pembroke Open Space Committee Minutes of the Meeting of November 12, 2019 Pembroke Community Center, Room 10

Disclosure: These minutes are not verbatim – they are the secretary's interpretation of what took place at the meeting.

All materials presented during this meeting are available in the Pembroke Conservation Commission office.

Open Meeting Law, G.L c. 30A § 22.

Members present:

Ronald Boidi, Pembroke Conservation Commission Liaison; Tracy Marino,

Member; Denise Moraski, Secretary, Robert Clarke, Jr., Member

At 7:00PM, Mr. Ronald Boidi opened the meeting and asked the members to introduce themselves.

Conservation Commission Liaison Report

Mr. Boidi discussed DCR recommendation for trail signage, an update on the Open Space Plan and trail maintenance.

NEW BUSINESS

Catherine Salmon, Chief Assessor will help with property designation for Open Space Plan. She will correspond with Denise concerning information already provided as well as new information regarding Conservation properties listed. She clarified that no back taxes can be forgiven in lieu of donating land to Conservation. She informed us on the process for taxing Conservation Restrictions, noting that it takes a year or two to get a lower tax status.

We welcomed Julie Slys who needs to be appointed by Conservation next Monday.

Ongoing Business

Trail Maintenance, Lage property. December 8 from 8:00-4:00. Ron will petition Conservation for funds for T-shirts, gloves, glasses, water etc. Tracy will post a FB event, Denise will post in community notices. Girls Scouts, Boy Scouts, Middle and High School Community Service hours. Denise will contact Police regarding quads. Tracy and Bob will look into t-shirts, logo from Bryantville Elementary selected. Discussion of Lage property buildings, Tracy will look into agreement between Mr. Lage and

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Town of Pembroke regarding building demolition and use of land. Still waiting for written Conservation Restriction on land. Need CPA funds for restoration of barn, sheds etc.

Discussion of getting Volunteers to "adopt an Open Space Property". Individuals or companies can be responsible for visual inspection weekly as well as light trail maintenance. Similar program in Kingston.

Next meeting scheduled for November 25, 2019 at 7:00PM, location to be announced.