

CITY OF GLOUCESTER  
**Open Space and Recreation Committee**

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**Meeting Minutes March 17, 2016**

*approved 5/12/21*

**Members Present:** Stephen Winslow, Susan Hedman, Noel Mann, Charlie Crowley, Heidi Wakeman, John McElhenny, Jerry Goulart

**Guests :** Nick Holland and Kate Walton from Cape Ann Trail Stewards

Meeting start 7pm. Minutes of January OSRC meeting were read and accepted.

**Cape Ann Trail Stewards** CATS is working to compile maps of trails on Cape Ann. They are working with local municipalities and groups DCR, TTOR, Greenbelt. The group is also looking for input from Cape Ann residents regarding local trails.

**GIS DATA** Long discussion regarding all parcels of public land in Gloucester, and the need to have access to details of each acquisition. The point is all parcels should have provenance as to the governance of said parcels based on the manner of acquisition. Properties added into public lands for conservation purposes need to be treated as such.

**Community Preservation Act** Heidi Wakeman visited recent meeting of the CPA to determine her interest in assuming role of representative to the CPA committee from OSRC. She has indicated her willingness to serve in this position and a motion was made to vote for her selection to this role. Motion was passed with unanimous vote of the committee members.

**CONSCOM Oversight** Meeting with Charlie Crowley, Ken Whittaker has admitted that parcels of public land need to be identified, marked, and managed in accordance with the manner of acquisition. There are parcels gained through Federal HUD Block Grants, State Self Help Parcels, and Article 97. He has said he will speak to the city council regarding this obligation of conservation management.

**Complete Streets** Draft <sup>policy</sup> legislation is moving on to be finalized.

**Red Rocks Conservation Area** Charlie Crowley has been working with Ed Becker, Dave Rimmer and Chris LaPoint of Greenbelt to develop a management strategy for this area.

**Recreational Trail Grant** Larry Durkin has submitted a grant application for trail development in watershed lands of West Gloucester. There is a walk scheduled on March 26 around Haskell Reservoir off the end of Forest Lane.

**Mt. Ann Access** Dave Santoment<sup>o</sup> of TTOR is working with the heirs of the Addison Bray parcel. Purchase of this parcel could provide access and parking for this important TTOR property. The OSRC committee has desired for many years to try to improve access to Mt. Ann.

**Light up Mattos** Have raised \$176,000<sup>0</sup> with a goal of about \$200,000- update from Jerry Goulart

**Stagefort Park Grant** Steve Winslow has applied for a state grant \$250,000 for improvements to Stagefort Park. There are 14 applicants for this Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant.

**Ten Pound Island** Brief discussion of issues regarding some development plan for Ten Pound Island. Meeting Monday at Rocky Neck Cultural Center

**EDIC** There has been interest in economic development of industrial park in West Gloucester, but lands are protected watershed parcels.

Meeting adjourned 8:45 pm minutes respectfully submitted by Susan Hedman