



**CITY OF GLOUCESTER
OPEN SPACE & RECREATION COMMITTEE**

[1/26/2022]

[5:50pm]

[Remote]

[Heidi Wakeman]

MINUTES

Present Members: Heidi Wakeman (HW), Richard Quateman (RQ), Dave Sargent (DS), Dan Morris (DM), Noel Mann (NM), Mark Poulin (MP) and Liam Anastasia-Murphy (LAM)

Absent Members:

Staff: Conservation Agent Adrienne Lennon (AL)

I. BUSINESS

Community Preservation Committee Representative from OSRC pitch from HW:

- HW talks about position at CPC
- MP asks question
- DS motions to nominate MP
- LAM seconds motion
- Unanimous Y vote for MP joining CPC

Agent Lennon talks about Climate Action and Resiliency Plan (CARP):

- MP asks question
- NM makes a comment

Feedback and review of Section 8 of Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP)

- Sharing screen of HW notes on section 8 of OSRP
- AL talks over timeline/timeframe of line items of OSRP
- **Discussion of "GOAL 1"**
 - DS - shorter timeline
 - NM - discusses problem with accurate inventory of north gloucester woods
 - DM - comment on Objective A:1 on how to memorialize agreement when land available
 - AL- responds to DM question
 - NM- comments of prioritizing parcels
 - AL - discusses prioritization
 - DS- discusses priorities
 - HW- discusses priorities
 - DM- asks AL about workflow within government for this plan

- AL- answers DM's question.
- NM - offers expertise to help planners with parcel inventory
- DM - asks question about implementation of plan
- AL - answers question
- HW and AL - discuss timeline
- AL- discusses objective C
- MP- asks question about responsible departments
- HW - discusses responsible departments
- DS - discusses a review mechanism to make sure plan gets implemented
- HW - continues discussion on implementation
- DM - agrees that review mechanism is a good idea
- HW - discusses where to put review mechanism language in plan
- AL - thinks review mechanism should live in section 6 of plan
- AL - discusses implementation of general plan and implementation of plan review group
- NM - discusses how OSRC implemented and interacted with the OSRP in the past
- HW - discusses experience in past of being on OSRC
- DS - discusses merits of reviewing the plan
- RQ - discusses general point of purview of plan
- **GOAL 2**
 - AL - discusses Obj A - asks question of timeline
 - LAM - discusses Obj as immediate need. RQ and DM agree
 - AL - reads Obj B - 3-5 year timeline.
 - RQ - confirms 3-5 year range for Obj. HW agrees
 - LAM- discusses potential partnership for signage with community partners
 - AL - Obj D -discusses community partnerships
 - HW- discusses partnerships
- **GOAL 3**
 - AL - OBJ A
 - RQ - asks question about establishing division vs department of parks and rec
 - DS - discusses division vs departments
 - MP - asks question of timeline for establishing division of parks and rec
 - AL - discusses details that would go into having a division of parks and rec
 - HW - discusses how a parks and recs department functions in different city in MA
 - MP - mentions addmending Obj B section 2 wording around East Gloucester School playground and Parsons playground
 - RQ - comments on sports getting prioritized list
 - HW, NM, AL - discuss dog-walking within the plan
 - AL - reads OBJ 3 about beaches 3-5yr timeline
 - NM - discusses beach dynamics
 - MP - comments about how this objective seems to be a an assessment
 - AL - discusses the timeline and details about capital improvements of beaches in the next five years
 - AL - reads Obj D - about landings and waterfront/aquatic activities 1-3yr timeline
 - AL - reads Obj E about website/technical portals 1-3yr timeline

- **GOAL 4**
 - AL- read Obj A about self propelled travel
 - DM - discusses the Obj- advocates for 1-3yr timeline
 - HW - agrees with DM and discusses implementation potential
 - AL - reads Obj B 3-5yr timeline
 - AL - reads Obj C 3-5yr grant contingent
 - AL - reads Obj D
 - RQ - thinks some of sections in Obj don't fit
 - AL - thinks 3-5yr timeline
- **GOAL 5 - climate change**
 - AL- reads Obj A 1-3yr timeline
 - NM - agrees
 - AL - reads Obj B
 - RQ and HW - thinks Obj B is outside scope of OSRC
 - LAM - advocates for language change of Obj B
 - AL - discusses scope of plan
 - RQ - advocates for language change in Obj B
 - AL - reads Obj C 1-3yr timeline
 - AL - reads Obj D 1-3yr timeline
 - AL - reads Obj E resiliency of waterfront 1-3yr timeline
 - AL - reads Obj F 3-5yr timeline
 - AL - reads Obj G 3-5yr timeline
 - RQ, LAM, NM- discuss merits of beavers
 - AL - reads Obj H 3-5 timeline
 - AL - reads Obj I 1-3yr timeline. In draft stage
 - AL - reads Obj J 1-3yr timeline
 - MP - asks general question about timeline
 - MP - asks question about growth objective vs sustaining objective within scope of plan
 - AL - discusses responsible stakeholders/departments/agencies for the plan

II. CONSENT AGENDA

III. PUBLIC (HEARING OR MEETING)

Public Comment:

- Mary Anne Boucher, 93 Mount Pleasant Ave - comments on OSRP about East Gloucester School playground and Parson playground being the same.

IV. CONTINUED PUBLIC MEETING or HEARING

V. OTHER BUSINESS

- HW - asks question about next steps of plan
- AL - discusses next steps of plan.
- AL and HW - discuss next meeting date. Group decides on 3/3/22
- NM - asks question about appendices

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by _NM_, seconded by _RQ_, and unanimously approved.

VII. NEXT MEETING

Next regular meeting of the _____ Board _____