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**Town of Mansfield**  
**Open Space Preservation Committee**  
Minutes of the January 16, 2007 meeting

Members present: Evangeline Abbott, Quentin Kessel, Steve Lowrey, Jim Morrow, Vicky Wetherell.

1. Meeting called to order at 7:42.
2. Minutes of the December 2006 meeting were approved on a motion by Wetherell/Feathers.
3. Open Space Initiative: A discussion of educational workshops and informative mailings was held. It was determined that Land Preservation Options Workshops designed to inform local farm and other large property owners of preservation possibilities will be attended by VickyWetherell and Jim Morrow. Next, discussion ensued concerning content of mailings to be sent to qualifying town landowners. The content, format and possible locations of educational workshops highlighting conservation and preservation options for Mansfield landowners were also considered.
4. Field Trips and Recommendations to Town Council: Discussion of a property for sale on Thornbush Rd. led to an agreement to visit the site on Saturday, January 20 @ 2:00pm to confirm its feasibility as a possible picnic/canoe-launch site. A motion to support recommendation to pursue purchase of this property (and possibly adjacent lots) by the town was made by Kessel/Feathers and approved unanimously.
5. Meeting adjourned at 9:20.

Respectfully submitted  
Evangeline Abbott