

Open Space Preservation Committee
Wednesday, February 15, 2017
Minutes
Mansfield Town Hall, Council Chamber
7:00p.m.

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm.

2. Attendance

Members present: Jim Morrow, Quentin Kessel, Michael Soares. Town staff: Jennifer Kaufman.

3. Opportunity for public comment

No members of the public were present.

4. Review of Minutes

Minutes of the November 2016 meeting were approved (no meetings were held in December and January).

5. New Business

- Mountain View subdivision, file #1343-2.

The subdivision plans dated 1/3/2017 were reviewed. With respect to the proposed dedicated open space (at junction of Coventry and Browns Roads), the committee requests that OSPC recommendations from its November 15, 2016 memo to PZC and Linda Painter are considered. Those recommendations are as follows:

- Revise the boundary line between the open space dedication and Lot #8. The revised line would be a straight line beginning on Browns Road, approximately 35 northeast of the proposed line and continue straight northwest along the edge of the existing rock ledge (and immediately south of the existing shed) to the join the eastern boundary line of Lot 7.
- Upon this revision, the remainder of proposed open space should be joined with Lot #8 and included in that lot's conservation easement.
- The shed located near the revised boundary line should be removed.
- A fence should be installed between Lot #8 and the open space along the revised boundary line described above.

In addition, the committee recommends that the conservation easement be extended to include the wetlands on Lots #2, 3, and 4. This extension is consistent with the town's Plan of Conservation & development and with the already proposed easements to protect on wetlands on Lots #1, 5, 6, 7, and 8.

- Zoning regulations – multi-unit housing
This item was tabled in order for OSPC members to join a special meeting with Conservation Commission that same evening.

6. Continuing Business

- Permanent Preservation
- Management Plans
- Regional Conservation Partnership Program

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7. Executive Session

The committee voted to go into Executive Session at 7:17 and to come out of Executive Session at 7:26. Any recommendations from the committee will be forwarded to the Town Manager.

8. Communications

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- Conservation Commission
- PZC: 11/2/16
- IWA: 11/2/16
- Regulatory Review Committee

9. Future Agendas

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28.