Open Space Committee, September 9, 2022 - Virtual Meeting

Members Present: Susan Girard-Irwin, Thomas Bow, Nick Norman

Also Present: Barbara Carboni, Town Planner; Susan Areson, Select Board; Damion Clements, Recreation; Jeff Thibodeau, OSRP Consultant

Ms. Girard-Irwin called the meeting to order at 12:30.

June 10, 2022 Minutes: review and approval of the minutes were deferred to the October meeting.

Update on Status of Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP): Ms. Carboni advised the Committee that Jeff Thibodeau was selected as the consultant for the OSRP update. Mr. Thibodeau introduced himself and provided some insight on a path forward to update the OSRP. Current plans are to have the OSRP submitted by February 15, 2023. The OSRP preparation involves public participation (1/3), research (1/3) and a summary and action plans (1/3). In addition to the OSC, Mr. Thibodeau will seek input from other Truro committees (Beach Advisory, Bikes and Walkways, Recreation Advisory) as we move forward. Public outreach will be in the form of a town survey and four to six public meetings. The previous town OSRP survey will be used as a starting point with input from the OSC and other committees. Information gathered from recent town surveys (MA SCORP, Local Comprehensive Plan and Walsh Property) will be reviewed and included, as appropriate. The deadline for the final OSRP survey is October 15th.

Next steps:

- Mr. Norman, Mr. Bow and Mr. Thibodeau will meet on September 19 @ 12PM to review current survey and set up dates for the town meetings. Mr. Thibodeau to set up a ZOOM call for the meeting.
- Ms. Carboni will send a note regarding the OSRP to the other committees mentioned above along with a copy of the previous OSRP survey. She is requesting input and suggestions to be submitted prior to the October 7 OSC meeting.
- Ms. Carboni will share the Local Comprehensive Plan and Walsh Property surveys with M. Thibodeau.
- Mr. Clement to discuss with Recreation Advisory Board on September 12.
- Ms. Girard-Irwin to send OSC contact list to Mr. Thibodeau.
- OSC will vote on the draft survey at the October 7 meeting.

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Vacancy on the Open Space Committee: Committee members agreed to reach out to others regarding open vacancy on OSC. Ms. Carboni will reach out to the new Communications and Marketing Coordinator.

OSC Liaison to the CPC: Ms. Girard-Irwin agreed to serve as the liaison to the Truro CPC.

Other Business: None

Next Meeting: October 7, 2022, 12:30pm

Meeting adjourned at 1:30PM

Respectfully Submitted, Susan Girard-Irwin



