

Columbia Open Space Committee

Regular Meeting Minutes

Thursday June 21, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ann Dunnack at 8:02 AM.

Present: Ann Dunnack, Shirley King, Paul Ramsey, Don Schofield, Don Cianci seated for Walt Tabor,

Audience: Honor Lawler, Trust for Public Land rep

Approval of May 17, 2018 minutes

Old Business:

Paul offered to write something for the next edition of the View soliciting interest from citizens for membership on the Open Space advisory.

Paul and Chris attended the Lebanon Conservation commission meeting along with Honor. The consensus of the Commission was that Lebanon should participate with Columbia and Hebron on preserving the 1000 acre community forest with the help of the TPL. This is very encouraging.

Ann moved and Shirley 2nd that **“The Columbia Open Space Committee recommends the Board of Selectmen authorize the Town Administrator to arrange for the update of the appraisal for the Mark Kelly Property.”** Motion passed.

Honor reported on conversations with Kelly, Inzinga, Lucarelli and Jacques . All seem willing to talk and are interested in creatively developing a plan. It was suggested that Honor meet with Mark and Steve Everett to coordinate the roles of each in going forward.

Ann moved and Don Cianci 2nd that **“the Columbia Open Space Committee recommends that the Board of Selectmen authorize the Town Administrator to seek a written statement of support and collaboration from the Hebron open Space Commission to purchase the Jacques Property.”** Motion passed

Honor will send a breakdown of the Trust for Public Land’s role in the purchase of properties and prepare a presentation for the BOS and FIPAC at a joint meeting.

The Oberlander deal requires another extension according to the town attorney.

New Business

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Meeting adjourned 9:01 AM

Submitted by Shirley King secretary