

Columbia Open Space Committee

Regular Meeting Minutes

Thursday \September 20, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ann Dunnack at 8:10 AM.

Present: Ann Dunnack, Shirley King, Chris Tolsdorf, Don Cianci

Audience: Mark Walter, town manager, Honor Lawler, Trust for Public Land

Approval of August 19, 2018 minutes

**Old Business:**

Mr. Walter reported on several citizen concerns over a town forest. Honor feels that all of these issues are common in a community and can be addressed with facts she can provide. Honor will provide these facts to the town and they will be distributed as appropriate. Honor informed the committee that the State forest grant applications are due in January 2019 for announcements to be made in June 2019. Honor also requested that the town provide documentation that there is access to the Markel property. Ann will assist Mark in locating this document.

Mr. Walter reported that 3 of the 4 signatures for the Oberlander property are on record.

**New Business**

Ann passed out the proposed State Constitution amendment that will be on the November ballot. We will pass the word to town voters so they understand the implications.

An article concerning a town forest has been submitted to the View.

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meeting adjourned 9:24 AM

Submitted by Shirley King secretary