

SOUTH WINDSOR AGRICULTURE, ARTS & NATURE CENTER COMMITTEE

TOWN OF SOUTH WINDSOR

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South Windsor Public Library – Board Room

1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Members Present: Pat Botteron, Open Space Task Force
Stephanie Dexter, Planning & Zoning Commission
Mary Etter, Director of S. W. Public Library
Ray Favreau, Director of Parks & Recreation
Michele Lipe, Director of Planning
Virginia Macro, Historic District Commission
Andrew Paterna, South Windsor Food Alliance
Tim Shepard, South Windsor Land Trust
Councilor Jan Snyder, Town Council

Members Absent: John Caldwell, Park & Recreation Department
Jeff Folger, Senior Environmental Planner
Katie Graham, Park & Recreation Commission
Sandy Jeski, SWALPAC
John Mitchell, Rotary Club
Councilor Liz Pendleton, Town Council
Betty Warren, IWA/CC

Others Present: Skip Bourke, South Windsor Walk and Wheel Ways
Robert Dickinson, South Windsor Walk and Wheel Ways
Ken Sek, South Windsor Walk and Wheel Ways

3. Approval of Past/Meeting Minutes

Item postponed until the next meeting.

4. Public Input

None

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5. Discussion items

South Windsor Walk & Wheel Ways Report

South Windsor Walk & Wheel Ways members came forward to present a Cross Town Trail System to the Committee. Mr. Bourke reviewed the proposed trail system and the different features as the trail goes through different areas. Mr. Sek explained that South Windsor Walk & Wheel Ways wanted to come before the South Windsor Agriculture, Arts & Nature Center Sub-Committee in order to get access through the Priest property for this trail.

Mr. Shepard stated that he would not have any objection to the trail, but he would like to see the trail system established on the border of the property.

Report on Grant with State Office of Historic Preservation

Chairman Paterna announced that the Town received a \$20,000 grant for the Priest Farm project. The next step for this project will be to establish a site plan and use of the property.

Review of Farmhouse Diagrams/Plans

Committee members discussed the grant, stating that consulting engineering services will take a look at the house and will make recommendations. Committee members can start to seek out services that will help rehab the house. Mr. Shepard stated that if there are a lot of services donated to this project, NuWay could coordinate those services. The site plan for the property will need to go to the Planning & Zoning Commission. Committee members then discussed the clearing of the property. Chairman Paterna and John Caldwell will tag the trees that should be kept and then Town staff could go onto the property and clear the remaining vegetation. Chairman Paterna will contact the rest of the Commissions to get their feelings on clearing the property, other than the trees that are tagged.

Mr. Shepard informed the Committee that Mr. Mitchell would be suggesting a donation for this project to the Rotary Club. Mr. Shepard then stated that he is a proponent of having livestock on the property. The Town does not have a place where kids can go and see livestock.

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7. **Next Meeting:** Wednesday, February 14, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. at the South Windsor Public Library in the Board Room.

8. **Adjournment**

At 6:41 p.m. Councilor Snyder made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Macro seconded the motion; and it was approved, unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah W. Reid, Council Clerk