

## Open Space Task Force Minutes

November 5, 2018

Attendance: Pat Botteron, Louise Evans, Roy Normen, Bill Flagg, Jeff Folger, Betty Warren, Herb Asplund, Joe Kennedy, John Caldwell, George Caye

Guests: Scott Roberts, South Windsor IT Department Head and Bob Dickinson, Walk and Wheel Ways

Chair Pat Botteron opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by those in attendance.

The minutes of the October 1, 2018 were accepted.

### **Public Participation**

Bob Dickinson handed out the listing of private properties that are located under the powerlines that would cross the proposed bike and walking trails.

### **New Business:**

Open Space meeting dates for 2019 were unanimously approved by the members.

Six members reviewed and rated the Aman Property located at 99 Main Street for possible Town acquisition. The final score was 34.6 out of a possible 100. The property is a total of fourteen acres. It has been approved for three residential building lots. There is a shed located on the front lot. The property has been in agricultural use, mainly for haying. Some of the property is located in the flood zone. After review and any revisions a final copy of the letter will be sent to the Town Manager.

### **Correspondence and Reports:**

When asked if the results came in from the Citizen's Survey, Scott Roberts answered that there were problems with getting accurate results with many households submitting more than one reply. This should be remedied shortly.

Many residents and non-residents stopped by the Open Space Task Force Educational/Informational booth at the Heritage Day event. The only questions were about existing properties and open space near where they reside. They enjoyed taking the children's activity books and educational brochures about mosquito and tick control.

Announcement was made that on Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. at 2:00 the Major Michael Donnelly Property was having a fifteen year celebration and the public was invited.

The Chair read a thank you note from Chair Ginny Hole, Walk and Wheel Ways to the Open Space Task Force for supporting the study of hiking/biking trails under powerlines.

Roy Norman mentioned that people have asked him if we have bridle trails in town. John Caldwell answered that there are horses using the west side of the Donnelly property.

The beginning of the Open Space Master Plan revision will begin at the December meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: December 3, 2018

Respectfully Submitted,

Louise Evans, Vice-Chairperson