

**Dover Open Space Committee**  
Meeting Minutes: Tuesday February 1, 2022  
Via Zoom 7:30 p.m.

**Attendees:** Amey Moot (Chair), Mark Adamczyk, Henry Faulkner, Boynton Glidden, Justine Kent-Uritam, Carol Lisbon (Planning Board), Tara Nolan, Connie Sullivan

**Absent:**, Gerry Arnold (Liaison, Long Range Planning), Tim Holiner (Conservation Commission), John Jeffries (Liaison, Board of Selectmen), Greg Kahoun, Val Lin

Meeting called to order 7:34 p.m.

**I. Minutes:** Pending approval on further review

**II. Updates on Current Protection Projects:**

**A. Hale Partnership Taskforce Update:** BOS presentation, 2/1/22 taskforce meeting discussed. Town will probably hold special meeting, June or September/October 2022. It will not be part of May's regular Town Meeting. Courtney Starling is developing town web page for Hale project information and FAQ. SaveHale.org already has some information on their website. Discussed the need to negotiate CR, define the roles of partners, enumerate Dover resident benefits, parking access, lawn signs and clarification of residential effects on proposed payment plan.

**B. Dover Church Woodlot:** DCLT presentation was reviewed. Dover Church as accepted DLCT's offer and the fundraising goal \$800,000 continues through February to collect pledges. Assuming the target is met, DLCT will ask for the money in early March and the target close is 4/11/22. The Committee discussed outreach to various committees and to landholders to fill pledge gap to make goal.

**III. Board Updates:**

**A. Open Space Committee**

- (1) **Public Walks:** Expect several independent Hale Reservation walks. No public walks yet with Omicron surge. FYI Hale Poetry nights: 2/2/22 (virtual) and 3/2/22, with poets and comics.
- (2) **Mapping Project:** Identified map with trails on private lands via MAPC, efforts being made to address trails on CRs. MassMapper replaces MA GIS's Oliver system and includes a better CR layer. Town-owned Easements will be addressed at Town Warrant meeting.
- (3) **The Trustees of Reservations:** Cooking classes, firepit Saturdays continue, programming for school vacation. New President and CEO, John Judge, starts 2/22. Kudos to Jocelyn Forbush, who returns to prior role of Executive VP of TTOR after assuming role of Acting President and CEO during illness and passing of late Barbara Erickson.
- (4) **Dover Land Conservation Trust:** See above Dover Church lot project
- (5) **Upper Charles Conservation Land Trust:** Received additional 26 shares Wardner Trust property (used by the Norfolk Hunt). This represents a substantial donation compared to usual 1-5 shares.
- (6) **Mass Audubon Society:** Naturalist Walk and Owl Prowl on Saturday 2/5/22. Broadmoor has resumed normal activities with outdoor walks. February vacation camp is in-person and MAS continues with online opportunities as well.
- (7) **Elm Bank - MA Horticultural** - Hosting late Winter classes in person and virtually.
- (8) **Hale Reservation:** see Hale Partnership Taskforce update
- (9) **Norfolk Hunt Club:** status quo

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**B. Board of Health:**

- (1) Water Committee:** Meeting 2/2/22. Have model irrigation law from BOS that they are assessing. Former Colonial Water acquired by Aquarion Water Company, an Eversource subsidiary, and public, regulated utility. Discussion of irrigation issues, holding tanks, conservation.
- (2) Other:** COVID test kit distribution at Transfer station, one per household.

**C. Conservation Commission:** Discussions re possible contribution to DLCT Dover Church Lot purchase in exchange for a CR. Warrant article is Bylaw housekeeping to expand buffer to accommodate for climate change impacts and improve wetlands protection.

**D. Planning Board:** Caryl Community Center: Site plan review completed, to be presented at 2/3/22 BOS meeting.

**E. Park and Recreation:** Channing Pond skating active.

**F. Board of Selectmen:**

- (1) Recreational Trail - no news expected 2022
- (2) Caryl Community Center - site plan review available on website. Planning board presenting to BOS Thurs. 2/3/22. Costs in @ \$300,000 over budget, now reviewing areas to cut. 80% Plan due to go out for bid 04/2022. Council on Aging preparing for temporary relocation to Town House and Park and Rec to temporarily move to Town Garage for construction of Caryl.
- (3) Red Robin 40B - ZBA meeting 2/1/22. Concern Red Robin relying on obsolete study re aquifers/water availability. Suggest a more current study be done before service from Aquarion.

Next OSC meeting Tuesday 3/1/22

Meeting adjourned 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Connie Sullivan