

Provincetown Open Space Committee  
Minutes - Wednesday February 13, 2002

Meeting called to order at 2:05 pm

Members present: Fred Berger, Celine Gandolfo, Robin Evans, Miriam Collinson, Steve MilkivAcz (alternate)

Guests present: Mindy Baransky

1. Mindy Baransky, member of the Town Planning Board, presented her views in favor of the establishment of a Town Planner (which was recently rejected by Selectpeople)

Committee members expressed their concern that a document she presented suggested that the Planner would suggest a variety of uses for the Route 6 property to be transferred to the town. Our committee feels that the only acceptable use for that property is for open space.

The committee voted 5-0 to endorse the concept of a Town Planner. Celine will compose an email stating our support, mentioning our concerns (above)

11. Land Bank Property Management

Committee discussed the need to coordinate with the DPW and the Conservation Commission regarding funds for signs at the two Land Bank properties. Celine will present our management plans at the Feb. 28 Conservation Commission meeting if we can get on that agenda

ITI. Property Acquisition

The committee continued our previous discussion of potential Land Bank purchases. We discussed the possibility of meeting with Ted Malone and the Affordable Housing Committee. We discussed the possibility of putting an article on the Town Meeting agenda to reverse last year's decision to take 35% of the Land Bank funds for affordable housing. Robin felt that if we did that we should have an alternate proposal to raise funds for affordable housing (such as a 1% tax on real estate transactions). No definite decision was made.

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Fred Berger, Acting Secretary