

Minutes of the Open Space Committee for March 2, 2015

The Open Space Committee met in open session at 4:15 in the Judge Welsh Meeting Room, Provincetown Town Hall, Provincetown, MA

Members present: Dave Hale, Suzanne Harding, Dennis Minsky (recording)

-Hale moved, and Harding seconded, to approve the minutes of February 13, 2015

The motion passed, 3-0-0

-There followed a discussion of the Committee's strategy for the anticipated town warrant article to "fold in" the Land Bank into the Community Preservation Act fund:

Minsky will give a talk "A Walk on the Wild Side" on March 31 at the Provincetown Public Library; all members of the committee will be there.

Harding will produce flyers to distribute throughout Town concerning the talk and our position for Town Meeting

Hale will work on information sheets to be available to voters at Town Meeting; he will also go to the next Board of Selectmen's meeting to represent the committee

Minsky moved at 4:45 to go into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing strategy concerning the acquisition of properties because public awareness of this information would be detrimental to the negotiating position of the committee. Minsky: aye, Hale: aye, Harding: aye

-Minsky moved to offer Elena Hall \$1.2 million for the Hall property; the motion did not receive a second.

-Hale moved, and Harding seconded, to contract with one of the individuals or firms that Minsky has contacted, for the purchase of a professional artistic conceptual overview rendering of the Coastal Acres Campground, for a price not to exceed \$5,000. Said rendering would include a potential housing component.

The motion passed, 3-0-0.

-There was a discussion of preparing an open letter to voters, to be distributed via the voters' mailing list.

-There was a discussion of the desirability and feasibility of a housing component to the acquisition plan for Coast Acres, including the compatibility with camping, the acquiescence of the Trustees of the Reservations, and the possible location of said housing.

The meeting adjourned at 5:05

Dennis Minsky, chair