

Open Space Committee / Minutes of October 14, 2010 Meeting
7 p.m. Peterborough Town House

Present: Alan Bannister, Ed Henault, Debby Kaiser, Francie Von Mertens, Alex Walker

September's minutes were approved.

Budget

After discussion, Ed Henault suggested that the request to CIP and BudCom for the Land Acquisition Capital Reserve Fund be \$5,000, reflecting an approximate replacement for the "not to exceed \$5,000" to be put towards the conservation easement on the Wheeler, Babine and Lowe town-owned properties.

This is the lowest amount requested in the fund's history, and it might present problems in upcoming budget years if the Selectboard seek a flat budget. However, Henault will make the point that this is a replacement amount, and in years when more is spent from the reserve fund, the OSC will be seeking a replacement amount.

Landowner relations

Four photos were chosen for the Neff easement presentation from a selection taken by photographer Annie Card.

Calendar sales

Alan Bannister reported success in placing calendars with EMS for sale. Francie Von Mertens has approached the Keene Sentinel environmental news editor about doing a photo spread/story on the calendar. Keene remains a target market with little outreach success. Calendar expenses are \$11,675. Sales so far: \$1,143.

Other

_The annual NH Association of Conservation Commission meeting is November 6. Some of the many workshops are relevant to OSC work.

_Easement monitoring time is here. Debby Kaiser will contact Eric Thum for the Millon easement; and looks forward to monitoring the Woods easement on snowshoes come the snow.

The next meeting of the Open Space Committee will be November 11, 7 p.m. at the Town House.

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