

**Open Space Committee,**

**May, 2015** (2015)

**Truro Town Hall**

**Members Present:** Tony Hodgins , Nick Norman, Bill Golden, David Dewitt, Janice Parky

**Members Absent:** Bill Golden

**Others Present:** Charleen Greenhalgh

Mr. Norman (Chair) called the meeting to order at 2:03pm.

**Meeting Minutes:** The minutes of September 5, 2014 were approved.

**Open Space and Recreation Plan update and Open Meeting:** Per Mr. Thibodeau, the first four chapters have been revised. Ms. Sullivan-Clark is to meet with Mr. Thibodeau to update Beach and Recreation sections. Mr. Thibodeau stressed the need to incorporate the survey data (due by June 2, 2014) as the next direction for Open Space and Recreation Committees. Ms. Greenhalgh will send Mr. Thibodeau Brian Boyles email address for help in tabulating the surveys. He stated that he is revising, not re-writing and making sure the Plan meshes with the LCP. A pre-drafted letter of approval will be sent to the Selectmen, along with a draft of the document before the filing deadline.

Ms Greenhalgh presented a number of salient points. As a result of the current Plan, stewardship of Town owned properties has been transferred to the Truro Conservation Trust (TCT). There have been no new acquisitions of land by Open Space Committee, but TCT is acquiring land. Recreation Commission has had ball field upgrades and the planting of the Community Garden at the Community Center/Library location. The Beach Commission has re-nourished the dune break at Ballston Beach and at Head of the Meadow.

The loss of the Highland Links Golf Course needs to be added to the Plan.

The appropriate boards and contacts to approve were noted:

Conservation Commission, June 2, Bill Golden

Selectmen, June 3, Nicole Tudor

Planning Board, June 10, Charleen Greenhalgh

Recreation Commission, June 9, Rebecca Townsend/Kelly Sullivan-Clark

**Discussion of Stewardship of Conservation Commission Land:** Mr. Norman has not been in touch with Ms. McCutcheon.

**Next Meetings: Open Space and Recreation Open Hearings:**

Friday, May 23, 3:00pm, Tuesday, May 27, 5:00pm, Friday, May 30, 3:00pm, Monday, June 2, 3:00pm

Wednesday, June 4, 3:00pm

The meeting adjourned at 10:59

Respectfully Submitted, Janice Parky

