

**Approved Minutes of the OS&R Committee Meeting
Monday, June 3, 2013 at 7:30 PM
Rockport Public Library**

Members in attendance: Lawrence Neal (LN), Peter Van Demark (PV), Ted Tarr (TT)

Members not in attendance: Stephanie Cunningham (SC), Robert Rushton (RR)

Other people in attendance: Zenas Seppala (ZS)

7:30PM Meeting called to Order

Open Session:

ZS commented to the committee that he has sent a letter to the DEP on the Chapter 91 license amendment request of the Cape Tool Co. In the letter he recommended that the Tool Company owner consider adding public Platform Tennis courts to his site. This would allow the removal of the tennis courts at Pingree Park, which Mr. Seppala sees as underutilized. The town could then restore Pingree Park to a full-size baseball field with a "green monster" in right field to protect the old school building. He noted that the town's approved OSR Plan has listed that having only one full-size baseball field for a town with Rockport's population was below the reference standards the state had outlined for ball fields. In his reading of Chapter 91 requirements, he found that the project's improvement on other local facilities should be considered as part of the approval process. Mr. Seppala thinks this proposal would do that.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by LAN and seconded by TT to approve the May 6, 2013 meeting minutes as amended. The motion passed on a 3/0 vote.

Land Protection activates:

PV has completed the required formatting work with Jeff Amero on the Cape Ann trail information that has been collected.

PV has also been in contact with Sam Cunningham (RHS student) about his interest in trail walking to help add new GPS data to verify and improve trail locations.

PV suggest at an upcoming meeting we do a high level current trail map review with TT to look for areas where he knows that trails exist, but we have not captured the mapping data LN reported that he knew of no new activity on the land protection work through town hall.

OSR plan review:

RR has informed the committee that he is not able to be considered for reappointment to the committee for the following year. The two sections that he was reviewing (6 & 7) will be done by LN.

Reviewed notes on changes in some parcels designations listed in Section 5.

Future Meeting Dates and Topics:

1 July 2013 meeting: Continue Plan update

5 Aug 2013 meeting: Update the "Parcels of High Interest", list top (5-10) actions to pursue

Motion to Adjourn:

8:05PM PV motioned to adjourn, TT seconded. Vote passed 3/0.

These minutes prepared by LN