

**Approved Minutes of the OS&R Committee Meeting
Monday, December 9, 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),

Other people in attendance: Matt Cegelis (MC) Rockport ROW committee

7:30PM Meeting called to order

Open Session:

TT and LN attended the Essex County Greenbelt presentation on global temperature rising. During some open discussion a member of Boxford Trails Association/ Boxford Open Land Trust, Inc. <http://www.btabolt.org/>said that their organization was now receiving CPC funding for trail improvements, including widening and clearing of trails on land not purchased with CPC funds. The dollar amount of the project was set with CPC approval, and as work proceeded the invoices were submitted against that project.

Ethics Training by 20 Dec:

Some have completed it. MC generously offered to work with TT to complete his.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by LN and seconded by PV to approve the Oct 21, 2013 meeting minutes as amended. The motion passed on a 3/0 vote.

New Member:

Matt Cegelis from the ROW committee will be their representative to OSRC. We will send appropriate information to the BOS for their consideration of his appointment. We all look forward to Matt officially joining our committee.

Land Protection Activities:

The land overlooking Cape Hedge Beach on South Street was accepted at the fall town meeting is now proceeding through deed sign off. PV suggested naming after John Krenn or Krenn's would be a good name for the site. It would recognize their commitment and service to the town and past owners of the Sandpiper Inn in the 80's.

SC was not able to attend this meeting but sent information that she was starting to put together some easy access trail photo work. She is starting with land at Pigeon Hill St. and then Summit Av.

OSR Plan Review:

PV will create and circulate for our next meeting a list of any plan sections that still need to be updated. We will discuss and assign work remaining at next meeting.

GIS Mapping:

PV has not completed this yet but he will send a map to Matt that does show seemingly public trails on private land for the ROW committee to review. This can help them address future trail blocking issues before they happen.

Future Meeting Dates and Topics:

13 Jan 2014 meeting: Continue Plan update

10 February 2014 meeting: Update the "Parcels of High Interest", list top (5-10) actions to pursue

10 March 2014 meeting: Update the "Parcels of High Interest", list top (5-10) actions to pursue

Motion to Adjourn:

7:55PM LN motioned to adjourn, PV seconded. Vote passed 3/0.

These minutes prepared by LN