

TOWN OF SOUTHEAST OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

DATE: MAY 28, 2008

PLACE: CIVIC CENTER - 67 MAIN STREET

TIME: 7:40 pm

ATTENDEES: Chairman, Milly Nugent, Cherie Ingraham, Don Burrows, Ann Fanizzi, Dick Honeck.

ABSENT: Excused: Kerry Cunningham

AGENDA:

1. Minutes of April 30th meeting unanimously approved
2. June 24th meeting date confirmed between committee and Supervisor Rights and Members of the Town of Southeast Board. Purpose: initial introduction of the Committee's members and discussion of their work and future plans.
3. Discussion - Putnam Humane Society purchase of 10 acres for new facility off Zimmer Road and Route 84. The Open Space Committee had approved the sale when initially presented as part of the 166 acres purchase.
4. Discussion of Agenda for upcoming June 24th meeting with Supervisor Rights and Town Board members.

Outline: How and why we got started?

What has been accomplished?< BR> Where are we going - future initiatives and plans.

Tasks divided among committee members and Cherie volunteered to develop a proposed general outline to be distributed to members for their review and input.

5. Discussion - Alternatives to bonds as a means to replenish open space fund i.e. Conservation Preservation Fund; Conservation Easements; Transfer Development Rights and possible inclusion of voluntary donation by residents on town tax.

6. Ryder Farm - Millie reported that she had received a packet from Mr. Weber concerning Ryder Farm. The packet would be distributed to members to be discussed at the next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:00 PM

Respectfully submitted.

Ann Fanizzi, Secretary