

Lakeville Open Space Committee     January 8, 2009    7:30 p.m.

Members present: Brian Reynolds, Joan Morton, Don Foster, Mike Schroeder, Linda Grubb

Members absent: Jaime Velasquez and Mike Renzi, both by prior notification

It was noted that open space plan draft is on Town website. Site will allow email response. We will be able to add photos to draft. Need to let Town's people know plan is on website, possibly through newspaper.

We discussed benefits of having email messages about town events sent to any who supply email address. Freetown does this.

We discussed public input forums: There was very small turnout for December 4, but there was an animated discussion, especially about need for funds for open space. One attendee expressed interest in running campaign for Town's accepting CPA. Mike S. has had no response from Ruthann Sensabaugh relative to middle school participation in a "quest" program. There was discussion as to how many public input meetings are needed.

Linda reported that The Taunton Watershed Plan Phase 1 is online for review. Trust for Public Lands is encouraging candidates for the Massachusetts Keystone Program training on land preservation and open space management techniques. Participation will cost \$50. It was suggested TEAMS might send out notice of this training with its notice of the land conservation forum it is sponsoring, February 12, 7 pm to 9 pm at the Lakeville Public Library. Manomet is sponsoring a conference on water quality in vernal pools, March 14. at Stonehill College, 8:30 am to 3:00 pm.

We discussed status of Cranberry Pond as a Great Pond. The pond is big enough to qualify as a great pond, but is not listed as such. We might include getting it listed as a Great Pond in our Action Plan. Possibility was mentioned that the pond is dam-created.

It was noted that we have a CD of the new soil maps.

Adjourn 8:55 pm.