

Members present: Jaime Velazquez, Joan Morton, Brian Reynolds, Linda Grubb, Mike Schroeder, Mike Renzie

Linda reported that Selectmen at meeting previous Monday night were enthusiastic about our "Quest" for sixth graders. Quests will be up on Town's website. Gazette article this week covers it.

Survey is still on Survey Monkey. We have 160 website responses. Ken Leonard has volunteered to analyze them. Some decision needs to be made as how to handle written comments.

Mike has sent out to members Section 4 of Plan with revisions she has done so far.

SRPEDD has put out its Lakeville map of priority development/priority preservation areas. Also the NHESP has issued a new regulatory map of Estimated and Priority Habitat for endangered species.

Mail included Town documents on Sexual Harassment policy and procedures, Telecommunication and Information Policy, and HIPPA Notice of Privacy Practices. Members initialed acknowledgment.

Linda and Mike reported on Community Preservation Act workshop last Saturday. Workshops were small enough for focus on problems of individual towns. It is essential that a CPA ballot committee be separate from the Open Space Committee.

October 30, the Trust for Public Land will presenting program on Benefits of Open Space at Dighton, 7 p.m. Linda and Mike will attend.

Plans for forum: To solve problems of keeping forum interesting for youth and incorporating needs of Freetown with ours, Jaime suggested a "stations" format. Committee agreed the following stations would be needed:

- Power point presentations of pictures for each of the two sets of quests. (these would be set up to run continuously on two computers)
- Survey results in poster form
- Chart showing changes, i.e., land lost, land saved
- Chart of past goals and actions, using plans of 1981 and 2000
- Charts of population and development figures
- Hands-on activities for the students (some ideas suggested were artifacts as stuffed coyote, plant list with seeds and nuts to match with plant name, a night sky demonstration outside near school, pictures of local animals to match, some sort of watershed or runoff demonstration Mike S. will try to figure out)

October 24 is students' deadline for quests. We will send out before then notice of forum and announcement of prize for 5 best and some sort of certification of completion for all.

Tentative date for forum is November 13. Hopefully prize will be related to open space. We have no budget so will need to be creative. We will work on all aspects of this independently and review again at next meeting. Noted that time is short. Mike will send out final quests to all via email and will convey our thoughts about forum to Freetown Open Space Committee via Althea.

Committee reviewed Linda's copy for website relative to recreation sites on the Town's website. Mike R. will work on a design that is active with links and maps. We will put Linda's text on until Mike's design is ready.

Next meeting Thursday 7:30

Mike had to leave meeting at 9:30.