

Open Space & Recreation Plan Committee (OSRPC) Meeting Minutes

June 7, 2022 –Room 210 (hybrid)¹

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1. Rosa opens meeting at 7:00 PM. Roll Call:

In person: John Bartlett, Jack Bowen, Marlies Henderson, Michael Rosa
Remotely: Zoom: Michael Parker, and on speaker phone: Maria Martin
Absent: Justin Damon (no wifi on AT)
Excused: Katie Shubin

Open mic: No public comments (Donald Damon attends as public in person).

2. Bartlett made a motion to approve the April 25 minutes, seconded by Bowen.
Roll call **vote**²: 6-0-0
3. Rosa states that Clancy Main created a placeholder for a 2022 Fall Warrant Article. **Henderson** will find the prior article to discuss at the next meeting, and draft a new one.
4. Andrew Jennings, Billerica LRTA Representative gave a presentation about his personal take on the status of Billerica Active Transportation & Transit Access to Open Spaces. Lively discussion ensued, particularly with comments from Martin (Commission on Disabilities appointee). Bartlett concluded that the next OSRP will have to include discussed issues in Goals. **Rosa** will meet with Jennings. **Martin** will list her comments for Henderson.
5. Henderson reports that Clancy Main emailed Kyle Grant (DPW GIS) to edit the map with updates. Kyle has replied, requesting clarification. **Henderson** will forward the email to **Rosa**, so he can follow up, and add the Spring 2022 Warrant parcels.
6. Henderson explains an example of encroachment of public open space (Buckingham Dr) which cost loss of river access point. **Rosa** will follow up with Marc Lalumiere. Bowen suggested alternatively using Shawsheen Tech (ST) access from Burlington Water intake. **Rosa** will contact the ST School Board through Taryn Gillis. **Henderson** will prepare supporting documents for Rosa.
7. Approx. 1427 feet of RR ROW (1055 feet along town owned Cabot Land) is MBTA-owned and can be purchased as Town property similar to the ROW along Alumni Field. **Rosa** will follow up with Clancy Main. **Henderson** will provide supportive documentation.
8. Rosa thanked board members for their support, and abstained from further discussion. Henderson read the draft memo. Edits were made. Vice-Chair Bartlett made a motion to send a memo to the Select Board Chair to keep Rosa on the OSRPC as the appointee per Town Clerk records. Seconded by Henderson, it was voted 5 in favor – 0 opposed – 1 abstention (Rosa) to send the memo. **Henderson** will follow up.
9. Next (hybrid) meeting date Tuesday 8/2 at 7 PM in room 210.
10. 7:57 PM, meeting adjourned.

¹ Note: Action item names and votes in bold font and expected follow up.

² In favor - opposed - abstention