

Minutes of the Holliston Open Space Committee

September 12, 2023, 7:30pm

Remote Participation

Committee Members Attending: Lixy Carey, Ann Marie Pilch, Carrie Marsh Loscocco, Shaw Lively, Wilston Johnston (arrived 7:43pm)

Guests: Aaron Schacter, Andrew Johnson

Lixy Carey called the meeting to order at 7:32pm and read the following statement:

Pursuant to the Governor's March 30, 2023 Act relative to extending certain COVID-19 measures adopted during the state of emergency suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law G.L. c 30A paragraph 20, the Holliston Open Space Committee will be using remote participation for this meeting. The audio of this meeting is being recorded and will be posted to the Town's webpage as soon as possible in accordance with keeping the public informed of actions during this meeting. I would ask that all participants remotely attending this meeting please state your name for identification purposes each time you speak throughout the meeting

A roll call attendance was taken:

Carrie Marsh Loscocco	present
Ann Marie Pilch	present
Shaw Lively	present
Lixy Carey	present

Two nominees for the open seats on the Committee, Andrew Johnson and Aaron Schacter, were previously interviewed. Both confirmed their interest in joining the Committee. Ms. Carey explained that the Select Board appoints members to the Open Space Committee (OSC) on the recommendation of the OSC.

Ms. Pilch made a motion to recommend Andrew Johnson and Aaron Schacter to the Select Board for appointment to the OSC; Ms. Loscocco seconded. A roll call vote was taken:

Carrie Marsh Loscocco	aye
Ann Marie Pilch	aye
Shaw Lively	aye
Lixy Carey	aye

Mr. Lively made a motion to accept the minutes of July 11, 2023; Ms. Loscocco seconded. A roll call vote was taken:

Carrie Marsh Loscocco	aye
Ann Marie Pilch	aye
Shaw Lively	aye

Lixy Carey aye

Ms. Pilch asked Mr. Lively about a potential recreation space and parking on Water Department land next to the rail trail off Mayflower Landing. Mr. Lively explained that the Town Administrator and East Holliston residents have been discussing this. There will be a warrant article at the Fall Town Meeting on October 16 regarding parking. Parks and Recreation is looking into the possibilities for a park on the site.

Wilston Johnston joined the meeting at 7:43pm.

Ms. Carey thanked Ms. Loscocco for creating a Committee Instagram account, #hollistonopen space. Ms. Loscocco and Ms. Pilch are co-administrators for the account and have been posting photos taken at conservation land around town. Ms. Pilch would like to allow others to post to the page but is unsure of the process.

Ms. Pilch made a motion to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing the acquisition of real property, not to re-enter open session; Ms. Loscocco seconded. A roll call vote was taken:

Carrie Marsh Loscocco aye
Ann Marie Pilch aye
Shaw Lively aye
Lixy Carey aye
Wilston Johnston aye

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