WOODSTOCK OPEN SPACE & FARMLAND ACQUISITION COMMITTEE

MONTHLY MEETING

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 2024 AT 7:00 PM

MEETING MINUTES

- **1. Call to order and attendance:** D.Adiletta called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. Members present were D.Adiletta, C.Adams, S.Blodgett, C.Cutler, G.French, A.Monahan and S.Morse
- 2. Appointing alternates as needed: none
- 3. Minutes: Approval of December minutes: minutes were reviewed and accepted.
- **4. Election of Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary/Clerk:** D.Adiletta was elected Chair. S.Blodgett was elected Vice-Chair and Secretary/Clerk
- 5. Committee reports: S.Morse (Agricultural Commission) provided an update regarding the newly-initiated "Woodstock Agricultural Taste Trail". C.Adams (Conservation Commission) shared recent developments in the collaboration with Eversource and CTDOT to address power outages, tree trimming, removal and plantings. C.Cutler (Member at large) provided an update on the Board of Selectmen's upcoming special meeting. A.Monahan (Recreation Commission and Economic Development Commission) reported on recent collaboration with the Agricultural Commssion on the "Woodstock Agricultural Taste Trail". She added that the Recreation Commission is working with Northeast Opportunities for Wellness (NOW) to implement programs for children. S.Blodgett (Planning & Zoning Commission) reported that the Commission is reviewing applications for new tennis courts at Woodstock Academy's south campus,

along with an agricultural operation wishing to expand its operation to include a limited number of weddings and fund-raising events. S.Morse updated the Committee on the recent Linemaster hearing concerning the environmental remediation mandated by EPA.

- **6. Budget**: The Committee discussed its submitted budget and potential upcoming expenditures.
- 7. Executive Session to discuss ongoing preservation projects: a motion to enter Executive Session was made by A.Monahan and seconded by C.Adams at 7:26; motion approved. A motion to exit Executive Session was made by S.Morse and seconded by S.Blodgett at 7:47; motion approved
- 8. Adjourn: the meeting was adjourned at 7:49
- 9. Next meeting: scheduled for February 8, 2024

Respectfully submitted by Syd Blodgett, Secretary and Vice-Chair. DISCLAIMER: These minutes have not yet been approved by the Woodstock Open Space & Farmland Acquisition Committee. Please refer to next month's meeting for approval/amendments.