

**WOODSTOCK OPEN SPACE & FARMLAND ACQUISITION COMMITTEE
MONTHLY MEETING**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2022 AT 7:00 PM

MEETING MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order and Attendance:** D.Adiletta called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. Members present were D.Adiletta, S.Blodgett, A.Monahan, S.Morse and J.Swan
- 2. Appointing Alternates as Needed:** J.Swan for C.Paquette. The Agricultural Commission's alternate member Emilie Hebert was present but not seated.
- 3. Minutes:** Minutes from the August 11th meeting were reviewed and approved.
- 4. Public Comment or Questions:** Mr. Ray Morgan and Ms. Pam Minella, owners of property adjacent to Town of Woodstock land on the north side of Quarry Road, discussed their interest in the potential transfer of ownership of the town-owned property. D.Adiletta stated that the potential sale of town-owned properties will be addressed by the Board of Selectmen. J.Swan added any issues related the sale of town-owned properties would need to go through a town meeting for approval. He stated that several other items (not related to land) will need to go through a town meeting process/procedure as well. Based on such a large number of topics, they may need to be prioritized. Subsequently all items may not necessarily be heard at the next town meeting. D.Adiletta mentioned that the town's Conservation Commission may play a significant role in future decisions about selling town-owned property.
- 5. Committee Reports:** J.Swan (Board of Selectmen) stated they have been focusing on the future of fire/EMS services, along with American Rescue Plan Act (2021) and the management of its funds. A.Monahan (Recreation Commission) reported that planning for the Winter Festival is well under way, and that the

town's Recreation Director is rolling out many new programs, along with exploring funding sources. S.Morse (Agricultural Commission) stated that they are preparing draft policies to be jointly reviewed with the Planning & Zoning Commission. S.Blodgett (Planning & Zoning) reported that a few small residential subdivisions are currently being reviewed. He added that the moratorium on cannabis regulations has been extended.

6. Meeting Schedule for January 2023 – January 2024

Reviewed and approved.

7. Executive Session to discuss on-going preservation projects: A motion to enter Executive Session was made and seconded at 7:22; motion approved. A motion to exit Executive Session was made and seconded at 7:45; motion approved.

8. Adjourn: the meeting was adjourned at 7:46

9. Next meeting: December 8, 2022