



# Killingly Open Space Land Acquisition Committee

Thursday, May 28, 2015  
6:30 PM

Room 102, First Floor  
Killingly Town Hall  
172 Main Street, Killingly, CT 06239

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## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
- II. Agenda Addendum (as needed)
- III. Citizen Participation (Limited to five (5) minutes per speaker for an accumulated time of no more than 45 minutes (unless extended by a majority vote of the Committee))
- IV. Adoption of Minutes
  1. September 25, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes – Janet Hallbergh called for a motion to accept the minutes of the September 25, 2014 regular Meeting; Keith Thurlow made the motion, Donna Bronwell seconded. No discussion. The motion passed with one abstention.
- V. Old Business
- VI. New Business
  1. Suspension of Rules and 2015 Annual Meeting – The suspension of rules was due to the fact the committee will be electing officers in May instead of June as according to its by-laws. Keith Thurlow made the motion, William Cheng seconded. No discussion. The motion passed with no abstentions.
    - a. Election of Officers or Confirmation of Officers – Linda called for nominations – Keith Thurlow made the motion for the same slate of officers. Janet Hallbergh/Chair; Keith Thurlow/Vice-Chair; and Pamela Thompson/Secretary. Pamela seconded the motion. Motion passed with no abstentions
    - b. Review of By-laws – review/discussion/action  
Byron Martin made motion to accept the by-laws as they stand. William Cheng seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed with no abstentions.
    - c. Other organizational business the Chair deems appropriate  
No other organizational business to discuss.
  2. Executive Session Pursuant to CGS Section 1-200 (6) D – real estate - Two separate locations  
Janet Hallbergh called for a motion to go into executive closed session, to include Council Liaison(s) John Hallbergh and Brian Gosper. Pamela so moved, Donna

seconded. No discussion. Motion passed with no abstentions. Purpose is to discuss real estate matters.

3. 2016 and January 2017 Regular Meeting Schedule - review/discussion/action  
Keith Thurlow made a motion to accept the calendar of meeting minutes as presented. William Cheng seconded. Motion passed with no abstentions.
4. Annual Meeting with Council and Annual Televised Meeting Schedule.  
Discussion ensued about the last time the board met with the council and had a televised meeting.  
Linda Walden explained that the Town Manager's Office would most likely schedule the meeting between the OSLA and the Town Council for June of next year (June 2016). Linda explained that it would go by the Town Council meeting date, the first Tuesday in June of 2016 (June 7, 2016), and not by the meeting date of OSLA.  
There were some questions about doing a televised meeting – if there was a need to do so. May meeting versus June meeting of 2016.

#### **VII. Other Discussion Items**

John Hallbergh "The Wish Company" people have not gotten back to him as of yet. They are emailing them on a weekly basis to try to get a response. A trust would have to set up. Hygeia will be open this season as a swim at your own risk. We will try that this year, and see how much demand there is for this.

Donna brought up Cat Hollow; volunteer people doing a lot of work right now; we have a bridge that they are thinking of putting it below the big dam. However, we do not own the other side of the river yet. Trail work needs to be done. The upper dam needs repair, as a "big chunk" of the dam has washed out. Possibly put bridge across the upper dam, to allow people to walk across the dam where it has washed out. Is that possible? Cat Hollow is under the Recreational Department purview so what can we do? Discussion ensued about the Briarwoods Project and the parcel of real estate that was to be transferred to the town.

William Cheng asked what is left in the open space fund account. Linda said approximately \$204,000.00; as reported last fall. Discussion followed regarding how funds are submitted to the open space fund. 10% of the pre-development value according to state statute, is how the fee-in-lieu of is calculated. CT does not have impact fees, based upon what is built.

Donna started to discuss the driving tours of the back roads of Killingly, something to replace the monthly walks the Conservation Commission has done in the past. Conservation Commission is also doing a brochure of the open spaces in town, with the various trails located on each parcel.

#### **VIII. Council Liaison Report**

John Hallbergh – Chestnut Hill Property; budget passed first time around; talked about planters for Main Street; grant application through NECCOG to finish sidewalks all the way to Westcott Road; no word from DOT but expect they will approve parking on the north bound side of Main Street only.

#### **IX. Next Meeting Date**

No June 2015 meeting  
Next meeting TBD – as needed  
People will watch for the email.

#### **X. Adjournment No time was announced.**