September 20, 2006

Open Space Committee

Present: Dan Sherr Chairman, Patte Doran, Jack Field, Rod Funston, Eileen Hearn, Charles LaMuniere, Joann Caldara, Chick Treadway, Diane Dupuis

Guests: Richard Sears, First Selectman, Wayne Hileman

The Chairman, Dan Sherr called the meeting to order at 5:03pm.

MOTION: Dan Sherr made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 5:03pm to discuss strategy and negotiations regarding real estate acquisition, Patte Doran seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Joann Caldara, Charles LaMuniere and Wayne Hileman arrived at 5:10pm.

Rod Funston arrived at 5:15pm.

Richard Sears left at 5:45pm.

Charles LaMuniere left at 6:50pm.

Rod Funston left at 7:00pm.

MOTION: Chick Treadway made a motion to come out of Executive Session, Diane Dupuis seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

In response to a request from the Conservation Commission to review the Potter proposition upon coming out of Executive Session the Open Space Committee made the following motion.

MOTION: Chick Treadway made the motion to support and recommend that the Conservation Commission in support of the Plan of Conservation and Development's plans for use of easements to maintain the rural character of Washington and in simultaneous support of affordable housing, recommends the use of up to \$125,000 from the Open Space Fund to match Housing Fund allocations for the Potter project. The Open Space Committee urges discussion with the Potter's to establish a plan the makes the conservation easements contiguous to ensure the preservation of wildlife habitat, seconded by Patte Doran passed by a 5-1 vote.

Adjourned at 7:10pm.

Submitted subject to approval,

Pamela L. Osborne, Secretary