

# Open Space Commission Meeting

## Bolton Town Hall

### Jan 9 2014

Thursday, January 9, 2014  
7:00 PM

Present at the meeting were Chair Mike Bonanno, Ed Steele, Dan Roback and Rod Parlee. Steve Arnold was present as a member of the public.

CTO 7:05 pm

Minutes: 10/13

Correct spelling of Mike's name for who's present

Ed moved to approve, seconded by Dan. Motion passed 3-0-1 with Mr. Parlee abstaining

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Ed moved to approve, seconded by Dan. Motion passed 4-0-0.

Public Comment- Mr. Arnold introduced himself as a long time resident in town. Interested in being a participant of the commission.

Discussion of Officer Election/Membership

Discussion of ordinance relating to new members, PZC and Conservation Commission can have members at meetings as well as Town Planner and BOS members can attend. Discussion of lack of attendance by others.

Rod suggested a letter by this commission expressing concern about lack of attendance and citing ordinance. Mike will send out as Chair of this commission and cc the board of selectmen

Charter says there must be a Chair and a Vice Chair for this Commission. Discussion and election will happen next meeting

Ranking Farms

Mike outlined the farm ranking project this commission has been working on for Mr. Arnold. Trying to help farmers get assistance in different ways based on rankings- no farmers can apply until the town is registered and qualifies CT Community Farmland Preservation Program

Other

Other ways this commission can add some life to this commission

Ways to get name and message out

Mailing?

Magnet w farm- love open space- url to commissions on town site

Rod shared article from Hartford Courant 1/8/14 about ways to preserve parks- Watchdog Group Urges More Transparency in Land Deals

Next Meeting 2/13

Adjournment

8:05 move to adjourn Ed 2nd Dan AIF