

**Town of Bolton Open Space and Acquisition Commission**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**Bolton Town Hall**  
**Bolton CT**  
**May, 2014**

Present at the meeting were Steve Arnold, Chair Mike Bonnano, Ed Steele, Arlene Fiano (PZC)  
Rod Parlee, Vice Chair Dan Roback

CTO 7:00 PM

Minutes 3/14

Change OSAC to OSPAC to protect Freja Park

Moved as amended Ed, second Dan. Motion passed unanimously

Public Comment- None

Ideas to Foster Education and Awareness of Open Space: Mike updated Arlene about how this commission is trying to get the public to be aware of the commission and the goals of this commission. Shared about discussions this commission has had to brainstorm

Ms. Fiano suggested contacting Superintendent of Schools to inquire about the possibility of a Student Project to help spread awareness

Ms. Fiano noted- Heritage Farm Weekend is the last weekend in September and would be good for this commission to take part in. This year's event will showcase Railroad History.

Town Hall building is 100 years old, she thought this might be a good event to have the OSPAC participate in

Vibrant Communities Grant- there's a steering committee headed by Sandy Hastings who is looking for people to sit on the committee to help promote. The idea is to make a more pedestrian friendly area in town- farm, schools, etc., plans to expand town hall. In order to keep ideas going, there will be a referendum in 2015 relating to these plans. The committee is going to be a way to educate people about the goals and plans of the committee.

Discussion of having someone from the committee take part in that committee for the Vibrant Communities.

Rod wants to talk about plan of cons. and development and have this commission make a recommendation at next meeting.

Discussion of openings on this commission. Board of 7 and one member from CC and one from PZC

Vandalism in Freja Park discussed- Rod noted that the Conservation Commission really wants to support the efforts of Nick Assard - he built a kiosk in Freja Park that got destroyed by vandalism and the CC will be helping him to rebuild it.

Ranking Farms for Community Farms Preservation Program - conversation about having informational gatherings and inviting local farmers

Discussion about ranking of farms

Other- Rod said the Bolton Lakes ERT is complete.

Move to adjourn Ed 7:58 seconded by Dan.

Motion passed unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,

Brett B Martin, Board Clerk