

**Town of New Hartford  
Open Space Preservation Commission**

**Meeting Minutes  
June 23, 2014**

Members Present: Jean Cronauer, Karen Griswold-Nelson, Madeline McClave, Bill Michaud, Caren Ross.

Guest: Steve Sadlowski, Town of New Hartford Land Use Office

Chair Jean Cronauer called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**I. Welcome and Introduction of New Land Use Administrator**

Cronauer introduced and welcomed Steve Sadlowski, new Land Use Administrator for New Hartford. Steve spoke about his qualifications as a certified wetlands, zoning and planning officer. He holds a Master's degree in Geography from Central CT State University. Members discussed with Steve: history of OSPC and work to date, OSPC ongoing review of all residential subdivision plans regarding the open space set-asides, the two current policy initiatives (lots of record and tax abatement for open space). Steve will look into the lots of record issue. He talked about the Advocate program in Eastern CT to which towns applied to participate. The members discussed the Community Farms program with Steve.

**II. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Michaud moved, Ross seconded and all members voted unanimously to approve the June 2, 2014 minutes.

**III. Membership**

The group discussed possible residents who might be interested in becoming a member of the Commission. Cronauer will follow up with Selectmen about Gray Horn's appointment.

**IV. Executive Session to Discuss Real Estate**

Cronauer moved, McClave seconded and members unanimously voted to enter executive session at 8:15 p.m.

Michaud moved, Cronauer seconded and members unanimously voted to leave executive session at 8:30 p.m.

**V. Policy Initiatives**

Members briefly discussed lots of record and tax abatement initiatives. Cronauer said that she talked informally with the chair of Inland-Wetlands, chair of Planning and Zoning (P&Z) and chair of Conservation Commissions. Ross will attend the July 9<sup>th</sup> meeting of P&Z. Cronauer said it would be helpful if someone from OSPC attends the Inland-Wetlands Commission meetings.

**VI. Other Business:** None.

**VII. Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the OSPC will be July 28th.

Motion to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. (Michaud/McClave) was approved.

Madeline McClave, Secretary  
New Hartford Open Space Preservation Commission