

TOWN OF LEWISBORO

Open Space and Preserves Advisory Council Meeting November 14th, 2023 7:00 PM

Committee Members Present:

Eric Swarthout, Chair

Jim Berenson

Mike Surdej

George Scott

Rose Bonanno

Guests:

Nicole Caviola, Rec Supervisor

Dan Welsh, Town Board Liaison

Philip Holt

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:08

Public Comment Period - None

Old Business

1. Report on Mission Statement revision. (Ms. Bonanno and Ms. Schaefer) – Continued Discussion
2. Conservation Easement Inventory – Discussed what North Salem has been doing with the Westchester GIS Department
3. Preserve Reports – See attached.

New Business

1. Committee welcomed Philip Holt, who has expressed an interest in joining the committee.
2. Updating Preserve Maps – Notes from meeting w/ Westchester GIS (Old Field, Town Park, Leon Levy in need of updates. Discussed which members would need an ArcGIS Online account.
3. Volunteers - Some new volunteers have been found via social meeting – discussed strategy to post on a semi-regular basis.
4. Chair Swarthout announced to the committee that Priscilla Schaefer submitted her resignation from the committee. Chair Swarthout to send an email thanking her for her service and dedication.
5. Work session for Hunt Parker scheduled for 11/18, committee members to participate.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 12, 2023 7:00 PM

Meeting Adjourned 8:28 pm

2024 Meeting Schedule:

Tuesday, January 9, 2024, 7:00 PM – Town House

Tuesday, February 13, 2024, 7:00 PM – Town House

*Tuesday, March 5, 2024, 7:00 PM – Town House

Tuesday, April 9, 2024, 7:00 PM – Town House

Tuesday, May 14, 2024, 7:00 PM – Town House

Tuesday, June 11, 2024, 7:00 PM – Town House

Tuesday, July 9, 2024, 7:00 PM – Town House

No August Meeting

Tuesday, September 10, 2024, 7:00 PM – Town House

Tuesday, October 8, 2024, 7:00 PM – Town House

Tuesday, November 12, 2024, 7:00 PM – Town House

Tuesday, December 10, 2024, 7:00 PM – TBD

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Preserve Reports

Brownell	Additional 'All Hands' work session needed to do the next move of bridge material. Waiting on dry weather. Mr Surdej to reach out to vendor for proposal on work in AT&T Right of Way
Falcon Ridge	
Fox Valley	
Old Field	Kiosk plans complete, need materials. Materials to be purchased in 2023 for construction in 2024
JJ Community Trail	Long term erosion issues to be discussed with all stakeholders
Town Park	
Leon Levy	Focusing on completing Mill River Preserve Work before year end.
Onatru	Materials for two new bridges on site, need to coordinate labor. No immediate need. Stone Wall – Complete – looking great.