

# TOWN OF LEWISBORO

## Open Space and Preserves Advisory Council Meeting

March 5, 2024

### Committee Members Present:

Eric Swarthout, Chair

Callie Bauer

Rose Bonanno

### Guests:

Nicole Caviola, Rec Supervisor

Dan Welsh, Town Board Liaison

Pia Baker

### Minutes

**Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm**

**Public Comment Period - None**

### Old Business

1. Approval of revised Mission Statement - Adjourned to next meeting
2. Preserve Reports – See attached.

### New Business

1. Report on Volunteer Fair. Ms. Bonanno spoke about the good turnout at the volunteer fair. We discussed the need for weekend work sessions, planned in advance to get more young families involved. Also discussed a community calendar and volunteer opportunity resources.
2. Report on Westchester Land Trust meeting. Chair Swarthout and Rec Supervisor Caviola discussed the recent meeting with the Westchester Land Trust. WLT was committed to working in closer coordination with this Committee and the Town going forward on properties where our interests overlap.
3. Wolf Conservation (Sean Seary, Educator and Volunteer Coordinator) – Brief discussion – Sean was unable to attend last minute, adjourned to April meeting.
4. Emergency Services – discussed the possibility of holding training sessions and getting updated maps to the various FDs that cover our Town.
5. Committee met Pia Baker who has expressed interest in joining our committee. After the meeting, Chair Swarthout recommended the Town Board approve Ms. Baker as a member of our committee. Included on 3/11/24 agenda.

### 2024 Meeting Schedule:

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

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### March 5, 2024

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

#### Preserve Reports

Brownell	Additional ‘All Hands’ work session needed to do the next move of bridge material. Waiting on dry weather. Possible Scout Project.
Falcon Ridge	
Fox Valley	
Old Field	Kiosk plans complete and materials purchased. Possible Scout project.
JJ Community Trail	Trail race coming up – committee encouraged to show up. Chair Swarthout to reach out to Rob Cummings about promoting trail work at the event.
Town Park	
Leon Levy	
Onatru	Materials for two new bridges on site, need to coordinate labor. Possible Scout project