



Town of Bridgewater **Open Space Committee**

May 16, 2024

7:00 PM

The meeting will be held virtually via Zoom.

To attend via video, click on the link below:

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To attend via phone, dial: 1(646) 876-9923

Meeting ID: 810 947 020 45

MEETING AGENDA

Disclosure: Pursuant to Section 20 of Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2020, An Act Relative to Extending Certain Covid-19 Measures Adopted During the State of Emergency, and the March 31, 2025, extension granted by Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2022, this meeting for the Town of Bridgewater will be fully remote and accessible to the public through remote participation to the greatest extent possible. No in-person attendance is permitted. Citizens who wish to tune in to the meeting may do so via Zoom.

A. Call to Order

B. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- a) April 18, 2024

C. Public Comment

D. Old Business

- a) Publicity
 - 1. Update on Town Facebook/Website
 - 2. Videos of Parks
- b) Wyman Meadow/North Fork Preserve
 - 1. Trail and Parking Areas
 - 2. Hunting on Town Property
- c) Tree Committee Report
- d) Chapter 61 Properties
- e) Hanson Farm
- f) Lake Nip Project

1. Conservation Committee Continuance
2. Planning Board Conditions

g) Celebration at Iron Works Park of High St. Dam Removal/Bridge Reconstruction

E. New Business

- a) Scheduling for OSC Meetings
- b) OSC Comments - Summer Street Plans
Link to recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vk2gEAlpnPk>
- c) Meeting with Town Manager

F. Additional Items for Discussion

- a) Next OSC Meeting - Thursday, June 20, time TBD

G. Adjournment of Meeting

**Town of Bridgewater Open Space Committee
April 18, 2024 Draft Meeting Minutes**

Attendance:

Committee Members present: Eileen Hiney, Chair, Michael Silvia, Maureen Minasian

Members absent: Nicole Holmes, Lauren Webb

A. Call To Order: A quorum was present. The meeting commenced at 7:15

B. Approval of Meeting Minutes: The draft minutes of the November 16, 2023 and January 18, 2024 meetings were approved unanimously.

C. Public Comment: None

D. Old Business

Publicity.

- a. **Facebook.** Michael Silvia is waiting for a follow up from town staff on posting information about town parks and open space on a Facebook page.
- b. **Parks and Recreation.** John Hart is tracking progress on the development of a common design for all town parks. Stiles & Hart signage will serve as a template. Eileen noted that Wyman Meadow is a joint project with Wildlands Trust and signage for that area will need to reflect this. Michael has offered his graphic design expertise for signage.

Wyman Meadow

Eileen asked Bob Rulli, CED Director, to send her an email confirming that it is not necessary to go back to the Conservation Commission to apply gravel to the parking area.

Hunting. John Hart has not received a response from the police department about whether hunting has been allowed on this property in the past. The 2002 plans for this area should be reviewed.

Tree Committee. Pat Neary reported that an Arbor Day tree planting ceremony will be held at the Williams School on 4/27/2022 at 10 am. A poster contest was held and the entries are on display at the town hall. A well-attended public tree forum was held at the public library recently.

Hanson Farm. No report.

Chapter 61 properties. No Report.

Lake Nip Development Proposal.

At its April 25, 2024, the Conservation Commission rescheduled consideration of the Lake Nip project until it's next meeting. The ConCom is requiring a review of the project by an independent consultant. The Planning Board approved the project with some conditions but its decision has not been posted yet.

E. New Business. Three upcoming public events are scheduled as noted in the agenda.

F. Next Meeting. June 20, 2024. Time to be determined..

G. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Eileen Hiney