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## TOWN OF DEDHAM Open Space and Recreation Committee

Minutes of **April 3, 2023**

### **The following OSRC members were present:**

Bob LoPorto – Board of Selectman Designee, Chair  
Erik DeAvila – Conservation Commission Representative, Vice Chair  
Edith Graichen – Member At-large, Clerk  
Matthew Jasmin – Engineer to the Committee  
James Maher – Member At-large

### **OSRC members were absent**

Jonathan Briggs – Parks & Rec Commission  
James McGrail – Planning Board

### **Patrick Hogan, Assistant Conservation Agent was present**

**Bob LoPorto** called the meeting to order at 6:08 pm.

1. Public comment – none made
2. Meeting Minutes Approval – All approved unanimously
3. Open Space Plan Review – Section 1
  - a. The committee updated dates and added a reference to the pending Wigwam Pond Master Plan.
4. Wigwam Pond Committee Updates
  - a. The committee reviewed the options that the Wigwam Committee has been discussing.
    - i. The water quality has been raised as an issue to be addressed in the Wigwam Pond Master Plan.
    - ii. The TRC Company has conducted a Watershed Management Plan with some recommendations to be considered by the Wigwam Pond Committee and the Town.
  - b. The Wigwam Committee has been in contact with local business to solicit participation in the project.
  - c. April 29, 2023 will be a community meeting.
5. One Bag Event
  - a. April 16-30

- b. Bob is working with Amanda to get out information
    - i. Earth Day, April 22, will have larger groups
    - ii. A list of locations where groups can participate on Earth Day
    - iii. Individuals can also collect their own bag and send to website for pickup and entrance for a lottery.
- 6. Possible Grant Writing
  - a. Bob spoke with Rana Mana-Doerfer, Director of Grants & Procurement, about grants for trail clean ups and sign restoration/repairs. She will put out for bids to get a price and then get funds for these two projects. Grant is due in November.
    - i. Some trails of concern
      - 1. Condon Park to CVS
      - 2. Powder House Access
      - 3. Jenny Lane
- 7. Neighborhood Outreach Grant
  - a. Jim investigated cost for a mailing option for new residents.
    - i. Nancy Baker shared that if it were a paper option – it may be able to go with quarterly tax bills.
- 8. Trenton Road Playground – Mile-A-Minute
  - a. It is reported that an invasive plant is along the playground.
  - b. OSRC and Manor Neighborhood will work with Stephanie Radnar set a date to help with removal. Amanda will post on the Dedham website.
- 9. Old/New business
  - a. Bob and Matt are meeting with the GIS manager to try to get the map project moved forward.
  - b. Let's Talk about Flooding Discussion – Wed. April 12, 2023, 7-8:30 @ Endicott Estate.
- 10. Next Meeting May 1, 2023 6:00 pm
  - a. Items for next agenda
    - i. OSRC Master Plan Update – Sect. 2
    - ii. For next meeting - OSRC Social Media Page
    - iii. Trenton Road Playground – Mile-A-Minute removal
    - iv. Reorganization

Meeting adjourned at 7:34