

TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE

OPEN SPACE & RECREATION PLAN UPDATE COMMITTEE

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MEETING MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 14, 2022 PUBLIC FORUM

Present: Barbara McNamee (Chair), Christine Johnson, Mike Tonry, & Joel Vande Werken were in attendance; with R. Gary Bechtholdt, Town Planner also present. Absent: Glenn King, Rainer Forst, Chloe Mawn, David Troen-Krasnow, Mike Proto, & Bruce Frieswick did not attend the meeting.

I. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Barbara McNamee opened the meeting acknowledging other members in attendance.

II. SECTION UPDATES

G Bechtholdt reviewed status of the Sections of the draft report, which has been posted in full in its current form on the OSRP web site. He has collected the comments solicited from OSRP members in the last month and is in the process of making edits based on those comments. The few sections which are still incomplete will be updated in the coming weeks. Before the next meeting, G Bechtholdt will forward the draft sections to J Vande Werken and C Johnson for some additional review and editing in the hope that the final draft can be presented to the full committee at the January 2023 meeting. B McNamee, Chair will also be included in this process. Committee members should also review the draft to determine if there are any additional photos which should be added to the final version of the plan document. The public will be given one more opportunity for comment on the final draft of the plan as presented to the Board of Selectmen in February; any comments received will be collected and included in Section 10 of the final OSRP document to be presented to the state.

III. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Upon motion duly made and seconded the Committee voted to approve meeting minutes for November 09, 2022. The Committee intends to present the Open Space & Recreation Plan for review/approval following its meeting in January 2023. Where copies of the draft will be provided to CMRPC (regional planning agency), the Conservation Commission, Disability Commission, Planning Board, Playground & Recreation, Board of Selectmen and other boards/committees for review and letters of support. Next meeting of the OSRP Update Committee scheduled for Wednesday, January 11, 2023 (7:00 PM -via ZOOM).

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned approximately 7:30 p.m.

Prepared By: Joel Vande Werken, Clerk

Date Approved:	