

Ad Hoc Open Space Committee

Minutes April 15, 2010

Attendees: Colleen Butcher, Frank Chiaramonte, Larry Connors, Herb Etter, Bob Orciari, and Peter Thierry,

Meeting Opens: 7:05 pm

Nov Minutes accepted: Larry Connors, seconded by Peter Thierry

Carros Property:

- National Trails Day :June 5- There will be a hike led by Conservation Commission members of the new trail on the Carros Property. This would be a great opportunity to show this property to the towns people. The hike is a great addition to the Conservation Property trails.

Campville River access Grant:

- \$42,000 granted for land purchase to access the river. Monies to be reimbursed after land purchase. Acceptance of this grant was approved by Finance and the Town Meeting.
- Frank Chiaramonte contacted some of the property owners concerning possible land donations, easements or purchase. Some of the land owners are interested. Frank will continue talks to see what the land owners are willing to sell the property for. The Avalon's have a 2 ½ acre and a 1 acre piece which they are interested in selling. Frank also has been in contact with the Kaminski family. Their property (4.27 acres) contains the foundation of a clock factory which is of historical importance. There was discussion that if the town obtained this property, we could build a kiosk, which could contain information about the property, and its history.

▪ **\$300,000 Federal Grant from the Department of Transportation** has been sent in. This grant is not to be granted until fiscal year 2011. We would look to use this grant for the same purpose of obtaining land along the river and making the river more accessible to fisherman and others for passive recreation.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Minutes recorded by Colleen Butcher