

Hamilton Open Space Subcommittee
Minutes of Meeting of December 10, 2016
Meeting Held at Patton Homestead

Members Present: Gretel Clark, Jacqueline Hodge, Anne Gero, Zachary Peters

Others Present: Jim Hankins, George Tarr, Virginia Cookson

Mr. Peters opened the meeting at 8:10 am.

Patton Homestead Open Space

All present toured the Homestead open space beginning at the parking lot next to the Homestead buildings, down the slope to the old wood road, along the old wood road to the canoe launch area, along the wood road on the south side of the property to Asbury Street, and across the field in front of Patton Ridge back to the Homestead buildings.

During the tour, the OSC pointed out to the others present the items shown on the OSC draft plan of the open space at the property. This included the location and construction details for the Town's proposed 43 space parking lot and access drive, the location of boundaries lines, the canoe launch, the viewing platform, etc. Those present also noted the location of wetlands as well as old pump heads and wells in the field behind the Patton Homestead buildings. The group discussed the construction details for the proposed parking lot and driveway. The group also discussed maintenance needs at various locations.

The group walked along the back of the Patton Ridge property and noted the fact that lawn area was encroaching on the dedicated open space, and also examined the storm water drainage system along the Patton Ridge driveway.

Jim Hankins noted that he has yet to receive any as-built plan so that the Patton Ridge improvements can be located respective to boundary lines.

The members also noted the location of the Vineyard Hill trail and briefly discussed the issue of how to best connect this trail to the Homestead open space.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 am.