

Notes from the December 16 Parks, Trails & Open Space Committee

The meeting was convened at 7 pm in room 102 of the County Government Center. Mike Thelen was absent, Mike Cronin joined the meeting at 7:30 pm.

A. Trails Plan Open House Announcement and Information Brochure

Kim had prepared a draft of a mailable brochure for the Committee's consideration. The Committee discussed the intended purpose, appearance, content, format and distribution of the draft and whether a survey should be included in the mailing.

On the question of how the next draft of the brochure incorporating the comments of the Committee would be completed and reviewed by the Committee, and how the services of the graphic design consultant authorized by the Town Board would be used by the Committee in providing alternate concepts and a final brochure, the Committee on a tie vote chose to use the volunteer services of the Committee members rather than the professional consultant to prepare the final brochure.

Kim and Jen will work with Mike Cronin to prepare the brochure for Committee approval.

The Committee will request the Town Board set the Open House for Thursday, February 12 from 7 to 9 pm. This date would target the mailing of the brochure for the week of January 19.

B. Potential Town Park Sites

Neil reported on the positive conversation the members of the Committee had with the representatives of the Sand family about potential park use of their property.

Gary and Neil will make the presentation to the Town Board requesting \$1500 to hire the landscape architect and park designer Greg Ingraham to assist the Committee at its January meeting in evaluating the alternate sites the Committee has considered and prepare illustrations of how at least two sites could be developed for park purpose.

These illustrations, if authorized by the Town Board, will be displayed at the February Open House.

The next meeting of the Committee was set for 7 pm Tuesday, January 20 at the County Government Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 9 pm.