

Groton Greenway Committee
Open Session Minutes, 11.7.19, 7:00 PM
Town Hall

Adam Burnett called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM at Town Hall. Members Carol Coutrier, Marina Khabituyeva, and David Pitkin were present. Anne Gagnon joined the meeting as a guest.

- I. Upon a motion by David, seconded by Carol, it was

VOTED: to accept the minutes of the Sept. 26, 2019, Groton Greenway Committee meeting.

The vote was unanimous

- II. Land Protection and Availability Along Nashua River Corridor
- A. Anne Gagnon, Dept. of Fish and Game Land Agent for the Northeast District of MA Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, shared her interest in a parcel of land (77 acres) owned by the Nutile family. 69 acres could be preserved. Anne shared that someone had purchased it, and contributions are being sought to pay back a sum (\$210,000. to the benefactor within 6 months so that Fish and Wildlife may be able to buy the land. The property has 2850 linear feet along the Nashua River. Tax deductible contributions could be made through the Marion Stoddart Greenway Fund with a notation that the contributions were for that purpose. Anne would like a list of possible donors to contact.
- III. Nod Road Site
- A Adam and Marina have been doing water testing at Nod Brook once/month and have finished the testing. High conductivity has been noted as well as leaching, metals and dissolved ions not typical of a stream of this type.
- IV. Gratuity Brook
- A. Adam has seen the Blue Spotted Salamander in the area. The sighting will need to be registered.
- V. River Festival
- A. David reported that all bills have been paid. New ideas are needed.

The next Groton Greenway Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, Dec. 19, 2019, 7 PM at Town Hall.

Upon a motion by Carole, seconded by Marina, it was

VOTED: to adjourn.

The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Coutrier