

Open Space Committee Meeting Minutes 1/10/07
(minutes by Joan Mansfield)

1. Articles will be posted in the Lincoln Journal notifying the town of the community survey to be sent out on January 12th and the public forum on January 24th. Conservation staff and Commission members met with the Board of Selectmen on January 8th to provide an update on the progress Committee.
2. Survey return boxes have been placed at the Smith School Entrance, Town Offices, Old Town Hall Exchange, and the Library. Seven surveys have been received so far.
3. The public forum for comment on Open Space plans for Lincoln will be January 24th at 7:30 pm, the Donaldson room. The forum will be televised on the Lincoln channel. Designated committee members will meet at 7:15 to set up.
4. The counsel on aging will be contacted for their help encouraging survey returns and input.
5. Geoff McGean will take on the historical portion of the Open Space document. Many of the goals of the 1977 Open Space document have been met over the past 30 years through intensive efforts of the Conservation Commission, the Lincoln Land Conservation Trust, and the Rural Land Foundation.
6. The Committee discussed the format for the Public Forum. There will be a brief overview of the work of the Open Space Committee including the goals and objectives from the 12/12/06 meeting minutes. Angela Seaborg, Peter Von Mertens, Joan Mansfield and Tom Gumbart will give brief presentations on the topics for focused discussion later in the meeting, including:
 - a. Agriculture:
 - b. Recreation:
 - c. Stewardship/Land Management:
 - d. Land Protection/Natural Resources:Maps of Lincoln open spaces will be available
7. The Committee discussed their progress and questions on their draft sections of the report. Many of the sections are dependent on the survey results and public input, but the group has made an excellent start. Angela Seaborg will continue compiling the draft sections and will e-mail a draft to the Committee in February.