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## Minutes, Sept. 1, 2010

Open Space Committee Minutes

September 1, 2010 7:30pm (approved as amended, Oct. 6, 2010)

Present: Ann LeRoy, David White, Elizabeth Karpati, Joey Glushko, Jane Auger

Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm  
Minutes of 7-7-10 meeting approved and accepted.

**Elizabeth Island purchase** – Arlington Land Trust purchase plan announced.

Fundraising to raise \$265k:

Grant application to the State for \$85k

ALT contribution \$40k

Conservation Commission \$22k (from the Land Fund)

Leaving \$118k shortfall to be raised first with major donors, followed by a public outreach.

Possible participation by Vision 20/20, Spy Pond Committee and Friends of Spy Pond Park was discussed – Joey and Elizabeth will report from their attendance at respective meetings.

**Mill Brook Linear Park** - Notes from Joey's attendance at the ARB 8/23 meeting were reviewed, at which the redevelopment of the Brighams' site was discussed. Also discussed the involvement of the School Committee regarding portion of proposed pocket park near high school.

Next ARB meeting at which Brigham site redevelopment will be discussed is scheduled for 9/13/10.

**Open Space and Recreation Plans** – deferred to future meeting

**Cooke's Hollow Feasibility Project** - Draft report has been sent to study group for review and comment. Areas of concern include possible cemetery use and interface with Catholic High School field.

**Busa Farm** – Lexington Selectmen Study Committee is now soliciting comments from Arlington.

**Reservoir Garden** – No activity has occurred recently, but efforts continue; a donation was made for this purpose to the ALT a number of years ago.

**Summer Street Playground** – work is proceeding

**Great Meadows** – Upland Meadows Restoration Project has been approved by the Arlington Board of Selectmen. Approval by Lexington's Conservation Commission is pending. Project will begin with a Work Day scheduled for 10/23/10.

**Phragmites Eradication** – project continues in and around Spy Pond.

**Invasives Campaign** – plan to develop posters and cards for distribution, possibly by Town Day.

**Town Day** – 9/25/10; rain date 10/2/10

Open Space Committee will again host a booth; will have hand-outs including maps of open spaces in Arlington, post-cards with link to the OSC plan on the Town's website, and possibly informational brochures about invasive plant species. A schedule for

working at the OSC booth will be circulated by e-mail.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm.  
The next OSC meeting will be held on 10/6/10 at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Auger