



**Open Space Committee
Minutes
Thursday, September 8, 2016, 7:30 pm
Central School Mural Room**

Attendees: Nat Strosberg, Ann LeRoy, Elena Bartholomew, Kelsey Cowen, Brian Kelder, John Pickle, Wendy Richter, David White

Absent: Jane Auger, Teresa DeBenedictis

Minutes by Nat Strosberg

Mr. Strosberg is the new senior planner in the Planning Department, taking over liaison with OSC from Joey Glushko, who retired in May. He was given an introduction to:

- Committee members and affiliations;
- The OSC web-based application, Experiencing Arlington's Open Spaces;
- A new initiative that highlights pedestrian routes connecting open spaces in East Arlington, modeled on Lexington's, Across Lexington: Walking, Running, and Trail Biking in Lexington.

The group prepared for Town Day in the following ways:

- It determined who would supply equipment and how it would be set-up and removed; shifts for staffing the booth.
- It worked to refine the presentation of the East Arlington pedestrian route initiative (i.e., Take a Walk: Connecting Arlington's Open Spaces):
 - a) The route map/display would be simplified so that the key, scale, labeling of sites, and display of icons would be complete, accurate, and clear. Ms. Cowen would touch base with Adam Kurowski (Town Systems Analyst/Director of GIS) to complete the above.
 - b) The Planning Department would produce 8.5 x 11 copies of the map/display.
 - c) Ms. Richter would produce a large printout of the map and would also incorporate a collage of route-based photos onto the printout.
 - d) Ms. Cowen, Mr. Pickle, and Mr. Kelder would work to produce a QR code that would be displayed at Town Day and would provide a link to some of the Committee's online items, such as Experiencing Arlington's Open Spaces.

Ms. LeRoy discussed items to keep in mind for the upcoming Committee meeting on 9.22.16:

- Future projects beyond the current East Arlington initiative;
- The Committee's stance on the recent Mugar site development application.