

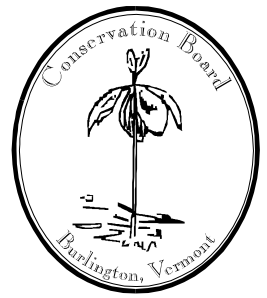
**Burlington Conservation Board
Open Space Subcommittee**

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Open Space Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

December 2, 2024 at 4:30 PM

311 North Avenue, Conference Room and Remote Meeting

Present: Scott Gustin, Zoe Richards, Rebecca Roman, Kyle Tansley, Dan Cahill, Sharon Bushor.

I. Public Comment

Sharon Bushor commented about the use and intent of the fund.

II. Conservation Legacy Fund

- Continued discussion of funding conservation infrastructure and possible changes to funding eligibility

There is support for considering the possibility of funding conservation infrastructure projects. The Open Space Plan rewrite should address this concept – identify and outline process for enabling it. Consider the possibility of a sliding scale between acquisition and stewardship (40% and 30%). What is a healthy balance to have available for acquisition? The answer could help to inform sliding, or otherwise adjusted, funds available annually. Revisit (and redefine) Urban Wilds in Open Space Plan rewrite.

As to the WVPD boardwalk application, they could choose to do both – pursue project funding now while also waiting for the Open Space Plan rewrite to be completed. Dan Cahill will follow up with WVPD as to their preferred next steps.

III. Adjournment

5:40 PM.

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