

## Sturbridge Open Space Meeting Minutes

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Wednesday, February 8, 2023, 4:00 PM

The Minuteman Room, Sturbridge Town Hall

The Open Space Committee opened it's meeting approximately at 4:00PM on Wednesday, February 8, 2023.

We discussed in old Business the Blueberry Farm project at the bottom of Fiske Hill and the need for permanently preserved open space as part of the project. It was suggested that we encourage the Planning Board to bring forward a bylaw to mandate open space in the manufactured home/trailer park type of development.

A recreation field behind Burgess is being reconstructed to help with the community's needs. Our past concerns for the Quinnebaug bridge, the Belanger property, and Streeter Beach were discussed. We, also, included the Barrett Farm and properties around Cedar Lake. Carol was asked to get updates from the TA. We will get an update from Lynne on the River Road property and the Holland bridge.

In new Business we reviewed the goals in the Open Space Plan, discussed conservation restrictions, and prioritization of properties. We spoke of our concern for the Oxhead Tavern, the Host Beach on Cedar Lake, Curboy's Junk Yard and the effects on water quality.

Lauren gave us a summary of Community Preservation's meeting.

We adjourned at approximately at 5:00PM.