

## **AGENDA**

### **Deerfield Open Space and Recreation Committee Meeting**

**November 14, 2023**

**3:30pm – 5:00pm**

***Meeting will be held in person at the Deerfield Town Hall, Conference Room  
8 Conway St., South Deerfield, MA***

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Approve Minutes from 10-17-2023 Meeting
3. Updates on Working Group Discussion with Liam Cregan (Franklin Land Trust) and Nick Rossi (MA Department of Conservation & Recreation) on approaches to land protection and trails development on the Pocumtuck Ridge
4. Committee discussion of:
  - a. Definition and Order of Initiatives for the OSRC going forward, working with DCR and Franklin Land Trust, on work on the Pocumtuck Ridge (three buckets of interrelated work?):
    - i. Securing Conservation Restrictions on Five Parcels owned by the Town of Deerfield. Grant applications in 2024. (Some combination of LAND, Conservation Partnership, CPA grants)
    - ii. MassTrails Grant Application in 2025 for Pocumtuck Ridge Trails Network.
    - iii. Protecting land across the Pocumtuck Ridge, securing public access to the entire length of the Pocumtuck Ridge Trail in Deerfield. Grant applications.
  - b. Forming of Working Group for Conservation Restrictions related grants:
    - i. CPA Grant Application (March 1, 2024 Deadline)
    - ii. State Grant Application (Likely deadline mid-July, 2024)
5. Discuss plan for discussion of Outreach efforts to be held at the December Committee Meeting. Make assignments for bringing information to the December meeting. To discuss in December:
  - a. Draft of Letters to Stakeholders and Other Means of Outreach
  - b. Stakeholders to make first contacts with before the December meeting
6. Close Meeting
  - a. Discuss next meeting date—tentatively December 12, 2023, 3:30-5:00 p.m.
  - b. Adjourn

Minutes to be taken by Andrea Leibson.