

GOFFSTOWN OPEN SPACE ORDINANCE REWRITE SUBCOMMITTEE

September 10, 2025

In Attendance: Barbara Griffin, James Raymond, Colleen Mailloux, David Neiman, Bruce Buttrick

Meeting Convened at 7:00 p.m.

The draft minutes for August 28 were circulated to the committee. C. Mailloux suggested waiting on approval of minutes until the committee has an opportunity to review due to the small font size in the printed version.

The Committee reviewed draft revisions to the Open Space Zoning Ordinance. There was a discussion of keeping the reference to the parent lot in the ordinance vs keeping it out and consensus was to retain the parent lot definition. The committee discussed if OS Development should be allowed by special exception or by conditional use permit. Consensus was not to require conditional use permit. The committee discussed the open space requirements of the draft ordinance and felt that it was overly complicated. C. Mailloux will work on revisions to simplify the open space requirements and allowed uses.

B. Griffin presented some elements for consideration in the Development Regulations, relating to determination of yield plan, including requiring plans to be prepared by a licensed landscape architect, mandatory conceptual review for open space projects, soil data, road length. B. Griffin is coordinating with Town Engineer Scott Ozana to discuss how to incorporate feasibility into the yield plan.

The Committee discussed compatibility with surrounding neighborhoods and weighed whether a perimeter buffer should be required for the overall project vs lots within the development.

C. Mailloux will revised the draft ordinance based on discussion. B. Griffin will continue to coordinate with the Town Engineer.

Motion to adjourn at 8:04 p.m. by B. Griffin. Seconded by J. Raymond. Motion passed 5-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Colleen Mailloux