Open Space and Recreation Plan Update – Public Forum

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19 participants

Intro of Committee Members Announcement - session being recorded

Chat box question poll – favorite beach tudor, short, lodge park, east point, bailey's hill, 40 steps

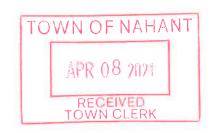
2 parts – brief presentation to introduce planning process Virtual open house

Why are parks important, types of recreation

Relationship to other plans, including MSRP Plan carried out in 4 phases – project timeline Currently in assessment and visioning phase



Data Trends – demographic trends 1990 on – gradual decline in population, continuing to 2030



More than ¼ non taxable land

Focus on Bailey's Hill, Kelley Greens, Flash Road Rec Facility – largest and most active, 17 acres, Nahant Thicket Wildlife sanctuary, Lynn Shore Reservation, state owned

Peter Barba

Is there an actual percentage number of Nahant's open space? and how do we compare to other cities and towns?

Shannon Bianchi to Everyone (7:28 PM)

What are our natural resources? Do we have any springs, creeks, streams, brooks, ponds, or other freshwater resources?

susanne macarelli to Everyone (7:28 PM)
Is the Lynn property counted as Nahant's Open Space?

Nancy Cantelmo to Everyone (7:29 PM)

I think the question is what %age of our town in open space, and compared to other towns

Paula Devereaux to Everyone (7:29 PM)

Any possible reasons why the number of households increase even though the population declines?

Shannon Bianchi to Everyone (7:30 PM)

Follow up - do you confirm with the USGS is those exist?

Shannon Bianchi – question about water resources in lowlands and Kelley green area. Hoping to identify and clarify discrepancies

Classification may qualify for specific grants

In the plan we can create an action item to identify and highlight any discrepancies Paula clarifies role of OS&R Committee

Instructions for Virtual Open House, feedback by April 9

http://mapc.ma/NahantOSRPVirtualOpenHouse

Town's Website: https://www.nahant.org/documents/default.shtml#gpm2 13

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