

## **MINUTES,**

### **Gardiner Open Space Commission *Special Meeting*, via Zoom, July 31, 2020 at 4 PM.**

Present: Jean McGrane, Laura Wong Pan, Linda Geary, Kay Hoiby, Kellie George, Laura Rose. Minutes taken by: Laura Rose.

#### **Special Meeting, Opening Business.**

This meeting was called to discuss whether or not our group should weigh in on a Resolution before the Town, related to rejecting a rebuild of the Danskammer Power Plant, in Newburgh, which would use fracked fossil fuel to generate electricity. The Town Board is set to vote on this on August 12, 2020.

#### **Discussion:**

We evaluated whether our input was necessary, would be valued, and whether we would be stepping out of what we are meant to do as a group by weighing in here.

We all agree that open space must be protected. This is our primary mission. And part of that protection involves keeping climate change at bay, in any ways that we can, and pollution as well.

Becca made a motion, Laura R. seconded, all approved:

**Resolved:** To write a letter to the Town Board in opposition to the Danskammer proposal.

Jean to draft the letter.

Next Meeting: August 17, 2020 at 4PM - 5:30 PM via Zoom

Quotes: Laura R.