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FYI – I will be reading this into the record at item No 13.

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I cannot attend today's meeting, but I wanted to contribute a comment about Item 13: Discussion to officially name approximately sixty acres of Town Open Space

located between Toler Lane and Zerolene Road more commonly referred to as the "Martin Slough Open Space;" with public comment prior to board action.

Please share this with the Board.

(I am copying Geoff in case you do not get to this before the meeting.)

Based on the minutes from the last meeting, the only reason this name change is being considered is to keep control of the name by the Town & not developers.

That is fine.

However, one of the things I appreciate about the Town Board is their inclination to protect & preserve the historic nature of our town.

Changing the name of the Martin Slough Open Space does not do this.

This area will always be associated with the Martin Slough in the minds of residents.

Building a trail in conjunction with preserving the open space on the flood plain enhances that area.

So the name should continue to contain reference to the Martin Slough.

You could very well leave the addendum portion of the name as "Open Space";

Or "Trail Area";

Or "Recreation Area".

But Martin Slough should remain in the name as that is how everyone in Town, & for that matter, the County, knows it.

In addition, why go to the expense of changing inummerable documents to the new name at taxpayer expense.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Beth Hojnacke