



Town of Barnstable Land Acquisition and Preservation Committee



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Committee Members

Kris Clark – Chair Phyllis Miller – Vice Chair
Duncan Gibson Steve Gould James Hinkle Thomas Lee Thomas Mullen Steve O’Neil Farley Lewis
Jessica Rapp Grassetto – Town Council Liaison

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Minutes May 12, 2014

5:30 PM

367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA – Selectman’s Conference Room – 2nd Floor

Kris Clark - Chair	Present
Phyllis Miller – Vice Chair	Present
Duncan Gibson	Present
James Hinkle	Present
Thomas Mullen	Absent
Stephen O’Neil	Present
Tom Lee	Present
Steve Gould	Present
Farley Lewis	Present

Also present were Amy Croteau, Jessica Rapp Grassetto – Town Council Liaison, and Carol Puckett – Administrative Assistant.

As a quorum has been met, Kris Clark opens the meeting at 5:36 PM. .

Guest:

Amy Croteau, Natural Resource Officer, Town of Barnstable- update on the herring run through the Santuit Preserve and throughout Barnstable

Amy Croteau gives a presentation (**Exhibit A**) on the “Herring Runs in the Town of Barnstable. She states that the active runs are located at the: Santuit River, Marstons Mills River, Centerville River and the Red Lily Pond/Lake Elizabeth areas. She states that John Sheppard from the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries installed software on her computer and did numerous site visits around town with Natural Resources.

Natural Resources has also been conversing with the Wampanoag tribe regarding access to the area under the Old King’s Road in order to do some maintenance in that area next spring.

She shows a picture of the new fish ladder at Santuit Pond which was installed by the state and indicates that it is working but not as well as they had hoped.

Next slide is Marstons Mills River. Amy states that there was state money appropriated for maintenance for fixing portions of this river that somehow was misappropriated and the Town of Barnstable wasn’t able to match the new amount needed. However, new plans and funding will be forthcoming but is unsure when.

As for the Red Lily Pond fish ladder, they don’t do any work but hey do clear the run two times a year. As for the Mill Pond Run, in the fall they will see how it looks after two years of not touching it.

Amy asks for volunteers. If anyone is interested, please contact Amy Croteau:
Amy.croteau@town.barnstable.ma.us or at 508-790-6272

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from LAP meeting of April 14, 2014

Steve O'Neil suggests that LAPC is not an approval board but an advisory board and should only recommend letters of support.

Change the spelling of Horsley Witten.

Motion is made by James Hinkle and seconded by Steve Gould to approve the minutes as amended.

Vote:

All in favor

Updates

Santuit Preserve: Phyllis Miller

Phyllis states that she has been in contact with Mashpee's representative on the project, Catherine Laurent. Also, as president of the civic association in Cotuit, they had asked her to call in an infraction to DEP which she did regarding the drawing of water from Willowbend. The members discuss the state, in reference to the permit extension act. Phyllis states that the rest of the preserve is in good shape but that there has been dumping on Hollow Road.

Kris Clark states that there is a thank you note to LAPC from Richard Aliberti which also lists his additional concerns.

Pathways

Trail maintenance update: Tom Mullen, Steve Gould

Farley Lewis states that she did a walk through in reference to the proposed spring walk and that the trail seems to be in good shape on this route except at one section between 6A and the railroad tracks which needs to be trimmed. Kris asks if Farley could help with the trimming if needed before the walk. Farley states that Steve Gould and she will attend to that matter. Also, the map is on LAPC's website and a blurb has been sent to Heather McElroy at the Cape Cod Commission regarding the walk. The walk will be on Saturday, June 7th at 9:00 AM, starting and ending at the Barnstable Court House behind the Cape Cod Commission building.

Community Preservation Committee

Tom Lee states that the meeting on April 28th was brief. There were three applications: one for recreational ball fields which has been postponed to the next meeting, one for the Horace Mann Charter School for a new playground which was approved for \$60,000, and another application for Stone's Antiques in Hyannis which was a request for \$356,000. CPC has a lot of questions on the Stone's Antiques application as to how to justify the amount and has asked the town to explain the cost. Kris Clark clarifies that the money would come out of CPC's Open Space and Recreation fund budget.

Town Council Liaison: Councilor Jessica Rapp Grassetti

Kris Clark states that she has received a message from Jessica who will not be able to attend tonight.

Old Business

Barnstable Water District: Annual Meeting on May 14, 2014 at 7pm.

Kris corrects the time from 7:00PM to 7:30PM. At that meeting there is a warrant article that asks the voters to support a request to the Town Manager to put a conservation restriction on the Breed's Hill property.

Centerville-Osterville-Marstons Mills Water District

Kris states that the recommendations are already in and that they are currently on standby to talk to Cotuit. She notes that all fire and water districts are now having their annual meetings and will postpone addressing this again until July.

2010 Open Space & Recreation Plan review

Duncan Gibson states that he has been going through the plan section by section and should get working on it come the fall. He attended the Smarter Cape Economic conference and learned of new tools through the Cape Cod Commission in regards to land use. As this is a five year plan, he thinks they should go through each one of them to see if they have been accomplished. If not, why not.

Kris asks what LAPC can do to help. Duncan recommends forming a subcommittee in the fall.

Reappointments: Clark, Hinkle, Mullen

Kris states that Tom Mullen, James Hinkle and she are up for reappointment. She hasn't heard from Tom Mullen. James Hinkle states that he will not be seeking reappointment. Kris thanks Jim for his service and contributions and that after June 30th this committee will have a vacancy.

Adjournment

Motion is made by James Hinkle and seconded by Steve O'Neil to adjourn.

Vote:

All in favor.