

# **Town of Barnstable**

# **Land Acquisition Preservation Committee**



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Committee Members

Kris Clark - Chair Phyllis Miller - Vice Chair

Elissa Crowely Duncan Gibson Steve Gould Thomas Lee Farley Lewis Thomas Mullen Anne Rowland

Jessica Rapp Grassetti – Town Council Liaison

Staff Support

Carol Puckett - Administrative Assistant - carol.puckett@town.barnstable.ma.us

# **Minutes**

May 11, 2015

5:30 PM

# Selectman's Conference Room - 367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA

Present
Absent
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Also present were Carol Puckett – Administrative Assistant, Casey Danhauser from Barnstable Land Trust, and Ann Canedy – Town Council Vice-President.

#### Call to Order

As a quorum has been met, Kris Clark opens the meeting at 5:37 PM.

Kris Clark reads the following with no response:

## **Notice of Recording**

Please note that this meeting is recorded and broadcast on Channel 18 an in accordance with MGL Chapter 30A §20. I must inquire whether anyone is taping this meeting and to please make their presence known.

## **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from LAP meeting of April 13, 2015

Motion is made by Phyllis Miller and seconded by Tom Lee to approve the minutes as submitted.

Vote:

All in favor

#### **Updates**

#### Santuit Preserve: Phyllis Miller

Phyllis states that she had a meeting with DPW Director, Dan Santos, and went over her wish list of things that she would like to see accomplished. She states that he has already accomplished two of those tasks, one being the removal of a huge barrel filled with cans and the other, removal of downed trees behind the shed. He also has provided, in his budget for next year, the hiring of a consultant in regards to developing a management plan for the Preserve. She notes that the Preserve is looking good and reports that the herring are running in substantive

amounts. However, she has noticed that the river seems low and wonders if Willowbend is pumping the bog.

Pathways: Farley Lewis, Elissa Crowley Tom Mullen, Steve Gould

Farley reports that this Saturday will be a clean-up effort staring at 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at Old Jail Lane Conservation parking lot area in collaboration with AmeriCorp. She states that Sawyer Cresap from AmeriCorp has provided a list and will meet with Farley on Wednesday of this week to firm up the details. Kris suggests signage for parking be posted and sending the dimensions of the proposed sign to GIS so that they may print signs for them. Farley will contact GIS and Steve Gould will drop off frames for the signs at the parking lot area. As for soliciting volunteers for this project, Farley will send the information to LAPC staff, who in turn, will contact the Town Manager's office in order to post in his weekly bulletin. Staff will also have Webrequests post the information on the Town of Barnstable's homepage and LAPC's webpage.

Spring Walks- Patriot's Day weekend- review

Farley reports that the walking weekend was a success in spite of the weather and that they should probably start planning for the fall walking weekend with Heather McElroy from Cape Cod Commission. Phyllis Miller states that because of the clean-up at the Santuit Preserve, they could add it to the fall walk schedule. They discuss advertising for the fall walks.

Steve Gould reports that he walked the path from the Exit 5 service area to the Sandwich border and came back via Popple Bottom Road. He reports that the trail is in excellent shape. Kris asks about signage on the trial. Steve states that he thinks signage could be clarified at the service area in finding the red path. They discuss the need of signage.

- Thank you to the Town Manager and Sarah Colvin for the good exposure for the Spring Walks
  Kris thanks the Town Manager and Sarah Colvin for the advertising for the spring walks. Kris states that they will
  try to do the future spring walk over Patriot's Day weekend and participate in the Cape Cod Commission's walk
  program over Columbus Day weekend. She notes that other organizations within the town will also have walks
  but would like to define them by September 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Community Preservation Committee: Tom Lee
   Tom reports that CPC had the housing workshop and not a regular meeting.

Ann Canedy asks Kris if there has been a conversation as of yet with Lindsey Counsell regarding the wish list for parcels submitted by the water districts. Kris explains that Jessica Rapp Grassetti suggested prioritizing and ranking the parcels first. She states that herself, Phyllis, and Tom Lee met with Mr. Counsell and came to the conclusion that they might need a consultant to rank them as there might be a need for more information such as financial value and threat to development. Ann believes that CPC has those resources. Tom Lee will check with Mr. Counsell regarding this. Kris discusses strategy in regards to state grants for these parcels in each water district. Ann believes that Cotuit did something similar to what Kris is speaking of which was to apply for a grant and that the matching portion came through CPC. Kris thinks that they might have to reconvene a subcommittee in order to explore the options to see what would be the best way to advance the responsibility of applying for the drinking water grants. Ann suggests having LAPC use their resources which might eradicate the need for a consultant.

Tom Mullen asks the status of the bike path. Ann Canedy reports that Town Council recently appropriated the last amount of money and approved the conservation restriction for the Mary Dunn Road portion of the bike path. Ann also reports that Town Council gave their approval for appropriation of funds for the parking area at Prince Avenue for access to the water.

■ Town Council Liaison: Councilor Jessica Rapp Grassetti

Jessica Rapp Grassetti is not here. Ann Canedy has nothing else to report

## **Old Business**

### Chair's update

- Open Space and Recreation Plan's implementation
  Kris states that they will wait until the fiscal year starting on July 1<sup>st</sup> to readdress the OSRP.
- Preservation of Breed's Hill property

Ann Canedy states that on May 21<sup>st</sup>, Town Council will reconsider the land swap but is not optimistic. She believes it makes sense to do the land swap so that they can deal with the shooting range as a municipal property. The options, as she sees them, are either to open the range, close the range, or limit the use. For any of these options money will be required for clean-up. If they open or limit the use, the infrastructure improvements will need to be done and is not sure how that can be done if it is in conservation status. She is hoping that whoever takes her place on Town Council in November will continue this effort as she feels it is a most important parcel for drinking water quality.

#### Announcements

Kris reiterates that there is a need for volunteers this Saturday for the clean-up effort beginning 9:00 am at the Old Jail Lane parking area. She advises to bring gloves, dress for the environment and bring hand tools if you have them. Farley to send Ann Canedy the information for her newsletter.

# Correspondence

None

# Adjourn

Motion is made by Phyllis Miller and seconded by Anne Rowland to adjourn.

Vote:

All in favor.