

Town of Barnstable

Land Acquisition and Preservation Committee



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Committee Members

Ann Canedy – Chair Farley Lewis – Vice Chair
Kris Clark Elissa Crowley Janet Crystal Steve Gould Thomas Lee Phyllis Miller Anne Rowland
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Minutes

Monday July 10, 2017 5:30 PM

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

Present
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Absent
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Also present were Jaci Barton – Land Protection Specialist from Barnstable Land Trust and Carol Puckett – Administrative Assistant.

Call to Order/Introduction of Land Acquisition and Preservation Committee Members

All members present introduce themselves

Ann reads the following with no response:

Notice of Recording

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

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from LAPC meeting of June 12, 2017

Motion is made to accept the minutes as amended by Phyllis Miller and seconded by Tom Lee Vote:

All in favor

New Business

 The status Town of Barnstable's herring runs/update on shellfish grant expansion- Amy Croteau, Natural Resource Officer, Town of Barnstable

Amy Croteau gives a PowerPoint presentation (Exhibit A). This presentation includes: **Recognized Runs**

- Santuit River Run
- Marstons Mills River Run
- Centerville Rive Run
- Red Lily Pond/Lake Elizabeth River Runs

Maybe Fish Run Here

• Mill Pond – West Barnstable

Runs Under Investigation

- Skunknet River (complete)
- Little River (ongoing)

Ann asks about Hinckley Pond as it is a Massachusetts Great Pond and not in good health. Ms. Croteau states that Tom Marcotte had commented that it would be a good place for herring to go but is unsure of its status.

As for Lovell's Pond, what they have been doing is a habitat assessment. For the Red Lilly Pond/Lake Elizabeth, they frequently walk this and noted that it is almost impassable for herring. Best option for this location is to dismantle the ladder. In Mill Pond, there is a swan exclusion fence.

New this year: Association to Preserve Cape Cod (APCC) applied for money from National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) in order to repair the flume at Middle Pond and will not know until the middle of July if they will receive the grant in the amount of \$350,000 which is essentially half of the money they need to finish that project.

Ann asks if this committee can help with recommending for the grant. Amy will get the detailed information and let her know.

Centerville River/Lake Wequaquet is now at a level of 26.2". A neighbor reports that this year is probably one of the best years.

Counter pipe at bottom of path at 151 Riverview Lane was removed.

Coming soon, a fish ladder for Long Pond. Ms. Croteau explains that at the base of Long Pond at the Crawford residence, a Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) was approved for replacement of the cement fish ladder at Mill Pond in Marstons Mills as well as money for the ladder at Long Pond.

Santuit River run has had a plenitude of fish. This run this year seems to be twice the size, passage was adequate.

She reports that the run at Old Kings Way is deteriorating. Jaci says the Civic Association might be a possible resource that could help and suggests making a presentation to that group. Phyllis Miller explains where it is and that it is a road problem.

Next slide: Sea Run Brook trout restoration efforts continued June 17 to 22nd. They restocked adult trout in this river, put in 13 and still found 10.

Ann asks Amy as to what would be entailed in looking into the Hinckley Pond area next to the Audubon property which appears to be clogged. Amy will look into it and do a habitat assessment.

Ann asks Amy to talk about shellfish expansion. Amy explains that she had put together some proposals that were given to Town Council. She reports that North Bay is impaired and cannot legally increase the marketable aquaculture without propagation by the Town of Barnstable. They had thought that a private/public collaboration consisting of the existing growers would allow them to have seasonal nurseries within North Bay where they could grow juvenile oyster seed. She is not sure if it will continue. She talks about studies done in the 90's and how it would relate to possible areas for implementation where aquaculture could potentially exist.

Updates

Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP) - Survey, Outreach Session of July 6th and next steps Ann notes that she went to a meeting today regarding OSRP and asks LAPC members for their feedback on any meetings they have attended. She states that if they are looking at water management, then they need to be looking at parcels for more than open space including utilizing space to meet future 208 Plan needs. Ann states that, at the meeting, a discussion was had regarding land management and the concern as to who would oversee property management.

Ann notes that the Asset Management Committee hasn't met often and that it will be sometime before they can look at parcels acquired for water preservation which were not put under conservation restriction. She thinks that those parcels should be looked at again regarding their use.

As for OSRP, Ann reads the survey response numbers. She states that out of 261 surveys, 253 people said yes to preserve more land. Ann encourages more people to do the survey.

Pathways Project Update-Farley Lewis

Farley thinks walking weekend will be October 13th thru the 16th and would like to follow up on the idea of pre-registering or at the least getting an idea walk leaders and how to contact them for cancellation or changes. If you want to lead a walk, let her know. Will Holden, who has worked for AmeriCorp, will be working for BLT and is excited about the pathways program, trail blazing, etc.

Ann will reach out to Town Manager – Mark Ells regarding the pathways program and signage for the paths.

Approved/Pending Community Preservation Committee projects - Tom Lee

Tom reports that there was:

has approved it.

- Letter of intent from Barnstable Land Trust for approximately \$325,000 for the acquisition of 2.8 acres of land located at 3600 Falmouth Road, Marstons Mills which was approved.
- Letter of intent from DPW Town Architect through the Town Manager requesting CPA Open
 Space/Recreation funds in the amount of \$64,515.00 that are needed in addition to the previous CPA grant for funding of the Lombard Field & Parking Project which they approved.
- Letter of intent received from Sturgis Library seeking approximately \$78,000 CPA Historic Preservation funds for a local newspaper digitization project that is planned in conjunction with the Dennis and Yarmouth Libraries and Community Preservation Committees which was also approved.

Tom also reports that there were several applications one of which was from the Housing Coordinator requesting \$200,000 to replenish the Affordable Accessory Apartment Program allocation originally awarded in 2014 which they approved. Another application was received from DPW Town Architect requesting \$98,784 from CPA Historic funds for hard and soft costs for Phase III restoration work at the Burgess House in Marstons Mills which they also approved.

Jaci Barton talks about the intent to purchase the property at 3600 Falmouth Road, Marstons Mills. She states that the proposal is to have the Town of Barnstable purchase the property as it abuts the herring run. However, BLT took the initiative and has put a deposit on the property, signed a Purchase and Sales agreement and went to CPC with a letter of intent. CPC approved that letter of intent and will now submit an application to CPC. The property is important for rare species in the pond and is a mapped habitat and believes this is an important project. They will propose a conservation restriction modeled after the Sandy Neck CR. They envision a possible lookout platform and opening up a trail. They are in the process of applying for \$85,000 state grant that would help fund the acquisition. She, on behalf of BLT, will probably be coming to LAPC in August to explain the project and ask for support for the project.

Status of Santuit Preserve Management Plan- Phyllis Miller

Phyllis reports that David Anthony is still in the process of gathering materials pertinent to the management plan. Nothing else new to report.

Asset Management Properties/ Status of Breeds Hill Property-Town Council Liaison Jessica Rapp Grassetti As Jessica cannot be here tonight, Ann reports that she has had communications with her. She reports that there is no news on Breeds Hill or Flint Rock Road. She reports that the Sandy Neck CR has not been signed by the state or recorded although the state

Status of Conservation Restrictions- Sandy Neck (recorded?), 200 Communication Way, 0 Church Street, Harju,
 Amaril, Prince Avenue - Ann Canedy

Ann reports that the Sandy Neck CR has been approved by the state but has not been signed or recorded. All the other CR's mentioned above are pending also. She still would like to set up a meeting with Mark Ells – Town Manager to discuss streamlining

the process.

Announcements

The election of officers will be held next month, think about it and come up with nominations

Correspondence

Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair

Public Comment

Adjournment

Motion is made by Steve Gould and seconded by Janet Crystal to adjourn.

Vote:

All in favor

<u>Please Note</u>: The list of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the chair, which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law. It is possible that if it so votes, the Committee may go into executive session. The Committee may also act on items in an order other than they appear on this agenda.

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