

# **Town of Barnstable**



Land Acquisition and Preservation Committee

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# Minutes

# Monday, September 11, 2017 5:30 PM

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

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

Also present were Jaci Barton – Land Protection Specialist from Barnstable Land Trust (BLT) 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 August 14, 2017 Motion is made by Phyllis Miller and seconded by Tom Lee to accept the minutes Vote: All in favor

### Updates

Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP) - Survey draft, Outreach Sessions, Breakout Committee meetings, and next steps Ann asks Kris Clark to summarize what happened at the last subcommittee meeting. Kris states that they went through the action items under #9 on the Plan and solicited comments from the Recreation Committee. She thanks Patti Machado and her staff for the update on what was accomplished from the 2010 OSRP and to have their input on the 2017 version. Ann states that at the next meeting, Anna Brigham from Planning & Development staff will give an update and will share the preliminary draft. The LAPC members are asked to review and give their approval. Ann will circulate the draft to the members at the end of September and asks members for their input. The subcommittee will have the draft before LAPC's next meeting on October 11<sup>th</sup> and Ann asks the members to look it over and give it some thought. She asks Farley to review it regarding pathways and states that there will be a

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tight schedule regarding for the plan's completion. The plan will expire in October. However, the consultant, Carole Ridley is confident in submitting this later than anticipated.

Kris thanks the Town Manager for his exposure of the survey in the Town Manager's newsletter and notes that the consultant also referred to the survey in her update.

Ann reports that once LAPC approves a draft of the OSRP and a public hearing is set, she will solicit letters of support from various committees such as Barnstable Land Trust and Orenda Wildlife Land Trust per the consultant's suggestion. Also, at the next meeting, Ann will have a list of properties acquired by the Town since the last OSRP review.

They discuss getting the ball rolling earlier for the next update. Kris thinks that the town should target properties of interest versus waiting for parcels to become available for purchase and should be more proactive, perhaps sending a letter of interest to property owners in sensitive areas.

Jaci Barton states that BLT has had two meetings in 2017 with the Town Manager talking about ways in which BLT could facilitate acquisitions and was made aware of what BLT is willing to do. The question is how to organize it within the framework of town government.

They discuss the Asset Management Committee (AMC) and upcoming meetings. Ann believes that AMC is currently discussing tax parcels. Jaci Barton believes that AMC had been looking at municipal parcels also and that in conducting research for another project, she was amazed at how many parcels of importance there are that are identified as municipal parcels in the town. She thinks that over the years some parcels were set aside for conservation because of tax title problems and had been taken by eminent domain in order to clear tax title. She also believes that some of the parcels were put under easement in order to protect a future well for COMM but that the rest of the land is still sitting out there as municipal lands yet was purchased by the voters with the intent that it would be set aside as open space. She thinks that the history of those properties needs to be documented.

Ann notes that Jessica Rapp Grassetti is on that committee and is also LAPC's liaison and will keep them in the loop about any updates.

## Pathways Project Update-Farley Lewis

Farley states that the 2017 Fall Walking Weekend's schedule is complete and is pleased with everyone's contribution. She gives a summary of the walks. She notes that the walks are free except for the BLT walk entitled Fall Crocker Neck Walk on Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am which will be \$5.00 for non BLT members. She has also spoken with Janet Milkman – Executive Director of BLT about advertising the walks on BLT's website. She reports that brochures will be put in libraries, that Ann will advertise in her newsletter and that it will also be advertised in the Town Manager's newsletter. Carol will be designing and printing the brochures and sending the information to be put on LAPC's webpage. As for the signs being placed at the beginning of each walk, Jaci, on behalf of BLT, offers funds left over from a grant that can be utilized for signage for the individual walks. Ann will send Jaci information for the signage.

- Approved/Pending Community Preservation Committee projects Tom Lee
   Tom Lee has nothing to report as the CPC meeting last month was cancelled.
- Status of Santuit Preserve Management Plan- Phyllis Miller

Phyllis has not heard back from David Anthony as of yet. Nothing else to report.

- Asset Management Properties/ Status of Breeds Hill Property-Town Council Liaison Jessica Rapp Grassetti
   Ann reports that Jessica could not be here tonight, has communicated with her about moving the Breeds Hill project along, and
   asks for permission from the members to send a letter on LAPC's behalf. All members agree.
- Status of Conservation Restrictions-200 Communication Way, 0 Church Street, Harju, Amaril, Prince Ave-Ann Canedy
- Ann has nothing to report. However, Jaci Barton states that the person at the state level who reviews the conservation restrictions has vacated that position which will make the waiting period for the states review somewhat longer. She would hope that the projects that need approval before the end of the year will have a priority.

#### Announcements

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#### Correspondence

#### Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair

### **Public Comment**

#### Adjournment

Motion is made by Phyllis Miller and seconded by Tom Lee to adjourn Vote: All in favor

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