



Town of Barnstable Land Acquisition and Preservation Committee

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Minutes

Monday, December 10, 2018

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	Absent
Tom Lee	Present
Elissa Crowley	Present
Anne Rowland	Present
Janet Crystal	Present

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Also present were Jessica Rapp Grassetti – Town Council Liaison, Elizabeth Jenkins – Director of Planning & Development (PD&D), Janet Milkman – Executive Director of Barnstable Land Trust (BLT), Alissa Young, Allison Bargabos and Will Holden from BLT and Carol Puckett – Administrative Assistant

As a quorum has been met, Ann Canedy calls the meeting to order at 5:30 pm

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

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 November 5, 2018

Motion to accept the minutes as submitted is made by Phyllis Miller and seconded by Farley Lewis

Vote:

All in favor

New Business:

- **Introduction of Allison Bargabos, AmeriCorps volunteer is done by Will Holden from Barnstable Land Trust (BLT)**
Will introduces Allison Bargabos who has worked with the Town of Sandwich and that one of her projects is to focus on pathways one morning per week. Most of the work is about the pamphlet and splitting it up into manageable sections. Will has maps in a digital format and explains that the subcommittee for pathways, through BLT, also consists of members of LAPC. One

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of their projects is to get more volunteers to monitor the pathways. Ann Canedy would be happy to include that information in her weekly newsletter. Will hands out the pamphlet (Exhibit A) and states that this and maps will be available on line as well. However, it is still in draft form and will take any suggestions or recommendations. Ann Canedy asks if Will can note LAPC as a contact on the pamphlet as well. Allison gives an overview of what is in the pamphlet.

Farley thanks BLT for helping out with this and for their level of commitment.

Will then goes over the volunteer section of the pamphlet and explains that the field sheet is a guide for volunteers. He explains that the color coding denotes if the trails are main trail, north trail or a south trail.

He believes there are 13 sections and that the challenge is to match a volunteer with each section and would like to get volunteers. If anyone from the public is interested, please contact Will Holden from BLT by email to: will@blt.org or by phone at 508-771-2585 X102. They will also create a section of their website for Cape Cod Pathways complete with history, trail maps, the pamphlet as well as other things such as a volunteer portal. Ann Canedy would like to complement their website and would like to also put the maps and the pamphlet on LAPC's webpage also. Carol will coordinate the pamphlet and links.

Farley asks about funding for the pamphlet. Will states that there might a Massachusetts trail grants program. Ann asks Will to keep LAPC in mind for help with grant writing on this.

Will thanks Chris Gonnella of the Department of Public Works (DPW) for all his help.

- **Introduction of Alissa Young, Regional Collaboration Coordinator TerraCorps Service Member, Massachusetts Coastal Barren Partnership**

Alissa explains that she is with Terra Corps which is a branch off AmeriCorp but mostly focused on environment and land trust. However, today she is affiliated with RCP (Regional Conservation Partnership) and called the Massachusetts Coastal Pine Barren Partnership. She explains that Pine Barrens is a global rare ecosystems and that there are only three left in the whole world of which we have the second largest one. This ecosystem stretches from Plymouth County down the arm of the cape and onto the islands as well. This partnership is to make people aware of this rare ecosystem and to protect, preserve and celebrate it. She asks if LAPC would like to participate in a stakeholder workshop. She hands out a map of the eco region and explains the areas on it (Exhibit B). She would like to get a conversation going about regional collaboration regarding this ecosystem. As for climate resiliency, she congratulates LAPC on updating the Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP) but would like to hear about that process. Elizabeth Jenkins – Director of Planning and Development explains that the plan has been recently updated, has a conditional approval and will send it to her when completed.

Ms. Young asks if they felt there were struggles when trying to complete the plan. Ann Canedy thinks that there were issues with the acreage the Town owns as well as who holds the conservation restrictions (CR's) on some of the parcels. Also, Ann states that there were issues with census and economic issues. Elizabeth Jenkins thinks that some of the struggle came in this update because it is a fast moving target coupled with ongoing projects.

Ms. Young asks if there are any resources missing that could've helped in developing the plan. Elizabeth Jenkins believes that more data is always better and more recommendations can be had going forward. Ann Canedy states that resiliency has been an issue in the state because of the regulatory restrictions and that they don't have the same regulatory flexibility in other states.

Ann Canedy asks Ms. Young what her organization means for the Town of Barnstable in being part of this regional plan.

Ms. Young states that they want a regional plan so that guidelines can be set in all open space plans which will take time. However, they want to make partnerships and have stakeholder workshops so that they can ask what their visions are for regional planning. They will review green infrastructure analysis in trying to get everyone on the same page. They are also a non-profit and depend and focus on grants for their funding.

Ms. Young asks if there were any individuals that spearheaded the updating of the Plan. Ann Canedy states that there was a consultant, staff, a subcommittee and a review by LAPC.

Ms. Young asks if they utilize the OSRP for grants or funding to acquire open space. Phyllis Miller notes that the Town of Barnstable currently doesn't have a grant writer. Elizabeth Jenkins states that they have received land and park grants.

Ms. Young asks if the Plan is consulted during the approval process for development or to guide acquisition of open space. Ann Canedy states that the Community Preservation Committee handles that process but that LAPC identifies parcels that are important because of their proximity to drinking water supplies by suggestions of preserving them either by purchase or by CR's.

Ms. Young asks if this town collaborates with other towns to protect natural resources and habitat. Ann Canedy notes that this town along with the Town of Mashpee along with the state own parcels in the Santuit Preserve. She notes that Phyllis Miller from LAPC is this town's representative on the Santuit Preserve Committee which has pushed for the completion of the Santuit Management Plan.

Ms. Young asks how does your community proactively integrate your conservation priorities with planning principles and regional priorities and how far do these efforts go. Elizabeth Jenkins explains that this town has a smart growth approach to direct growth and development in areas with existing infrastructure and away from areas with sensitive resources. The long standing issues and emerging issues are with water quality and wastewater planning and in protecting Zone 1 water resource areas from hazardous materials. She states that there is a balance between development and resource protection. People are drawn here because of the great recreational resources which is fundamental to our economy.

Ms. Young asks if there was a climate change resiliency plan in the OSRP. Elizabeth Jenkins states that the Town of Barnstable is a Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) grant recipient. She states that currently the Town of Barnstable does not have a climate resiliency plan. However, they have an OSRP and an Open Mitigation Plan and hopes that through the MVP, both can be brought together and are a first step towards a climate change resiliency plan.

Ms. Young asks that if anyone on LAPC is interested in being notified in attending a stakeholder workshop to fill out the form she hands out or to go to their website: pinebarrenpartnership.org.

Old Business:

- **Update on Open Space & Recreation Plan**

Elizabeth Jenkins states that he plan has submitted to the Department of Conservation Services and was conditionally approved. There were eleven conditions that they will need to work on. Most of them were minor updates such as:

- the state wanted the plan summary was too long
- demographic data
- transportation data
- discussion of wildlife corridors
- revamps of tables
- add a reference to the Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Program
- doing an inventory of open space and recreation resources in regards to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility and doing an analysis of those resources

Ann Canedy notes that Kris Clark and she have reviewed this again and have some updates. Kris has highlighted them and will send them to Elizabeth Jenkins for her review. Ann also notes that there are some CR's that have not been recorded as of yet.

- **Discussion of proposed CR approval process**

Tom Lee states that Lyndsey Counsell – CPC Chair, has suggested that the Town Attorney's office review it and approve it in order to put it in the CPC handbook

- **Update on Pending Conservation Restrictions-Prince Avenue/Harju/Amaral/Jones/Maddalena**

Ann Canedy reports that Harju and Amaral are before the state for reviews, Jones was approved by Town Council, signed by the Town of Barnstable and is headed to the state. However, Maddalena is to be before Town Council for the first read and that the Town of Barnstable will own it and BLT will hold the CR.

- **Update on Santuit Management Plan**

Ann has heard back from Andy Clyburn who reports that the Town of Mashpee hasn't signed the Plan as of yet, isn't concerned but once they do it will be sent to the state.

- **Report from Tom Lee, CPC**

Tom Lee has nothing new to report

Correspondence

- **Change in Status-Breeds Hill/Shooting Range**

Tom Lee notes that the Department of Public Works (DPW) has filed a notice of Project Change for the Shooting Range. Ann thinks that if it is opened it will be limited to its use.

Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair

Kris Clark reports that she attended the Board of Health meeting regarding the lifting of a zoning overlay in a water resource area. There was a presentation by the Town Manager regarding allowing more development along Route 28 and relaxing some water quality restrictions there. Phyllis Miller adds that the Town Manager also spoke about newer types of septic and that there was a proposal to relax the overlay in order to develop housing where the vacant school exists. Ann asks if the members would be interested in having a presentation about this at LAPC's meeting in February. She suggests perhaps also inviting Zenas Crocker to that meeting.

Public Comment

Adjournment

Motion is made by Kris Clark and seconded by Ann Rowland to adjourn

Vote:

All in favor

Please Note: 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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