

Town of Barnstable

Land Acquisition and Preservation Committee



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Committee Members

Ann Canedy – Chair Farley Lewis – Vice Chair Elissa Crowley Steve Gould Elizabeth Lewis Phyllis Miller Douglas Payson Tracy Pratt Anne Rowland

Kris Clark - Town Council Liaison

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MINUTES Monday, September 13, 2021 5:30 PM

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

Ann Canedy - Chair	Present
Farley Lewis – Vice Chair	Present
Phyllis Miller	Present
Elizabeth Lewis	Present
Steve Gould	Present
Douglas Payson	Present
Elissa Crowley	Absent
Anne Rowland	Present
Tracey Pratt	Present

Also present were Kris Clark - Town Council Liaison and Rachael Toolas - Administrative Assistant

A quorum has been met, Ann Canedy - Chair opens the meeting at 5:35 PM.

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

Chair Canedy reads the following:

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.

No response

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from LAPC meeting of August 9, 2021 were not approved requested to be continued to the next meeting.

New Business

E-Bikes Literature Review - Volpe Center Report

The study was received from the Dept. of Conservation and Recreation and reviewed by some of the Committee members. The study found that E-Bikes had the same impact as bikes and less impact on trails than ATVs, motorcycles and horseback riding. The LAPC committee found this study very informational. In the future, the Town should consider designated trails in certain areas for the possible use of E-Bikes. There are specific suggestions as to the type of areas the E-Bikes should use such as maintained trails.

Chair Canedy and Councilor Clark want to meet with Conservation to discuss the proposed bridge behind Trayser Museum and issues surrounding private pathways and damage being done to the area. The Board discussed trails behind Trayser having ATV and motorcycle use which is occurring and illegal.

Updates

Status of outstanding Conservation Restrictions – Harju, Amaral, Prince Ave.

The present legal department has worked on Harju and Amaral. They have been re-sent to the State from the Barnstable Land Trust. Since, the State had not moved forward with the process for an extended period of time, they wanted the Town to rewrite and re-start the process. As of today, Harju and Amaral have been assigned numbers. Prince Ave. has never been sent to the State, it may be there now, but not clear where it is in the process. Councilor Clark stated her appreciation of Chair Canedy's hard work staying diligent and moving this along to the State.

Twin Brooks

Elizabeth Lewis attended the meeting with Twin Brooks, - some in attendance MEPA, developer, engineer, Cape Cod Commission. They walked around the area; Lewis was hoping for more open space, green space, gardens but didn't hear that necessarily from the developer. Lewis is concerned if there will be enough of a buffer with water flooding this area. Public comment on this is open until September 21, 2021.

Fall Walking Weekend Report - Farley Lewis

Possible Walk Leaders - Doug Payson 2 locations, Tracey Pratt (Santuit) Kris Clark (Old Neck Rd.), Elissa (Friday, location not confirmed) Farley Lewis(leader) still looking for a couple of more walk leaders. Email Farley with information. Sandy Neck is not able to lead a walk because they are short-staffed. Rachael Toolas will get back to the Board with a brochure format.

Report from Phyllis Miller regarding Santuit Preserve

Not much trail maintenance has been done recently due to lack of staff. Steve Gould recently walked the trails and thought they were in immaculate condition and free of litter. There seems to be use of ATVs and motorcycles on the trails. It's challenging to manage people riding without witnessing its occurrence. Possibly consider installing cameras in the future. Tracey Pratt and Steve Gould think there are fewer ATVs and motorcycles riding on the properties than in the past. More signage stating riding is illegal may help. The purpose of the land designation is to protect animal and plant species. The motorized vehicles are having a negative impact these areas.

Continue to October's meeting – More signage making the public aware that motorized recreational vehicles are illegal on Conservation or Recreational property.

Councilor Clark was invited to a gathering with Gov. Baker whereby 52 project grants were awarded. Barnstable didn't receive any. Possibly, someone can look find out if applications were submitted and the Town wasn't chosen as a recipient. Councilor Kris Clark suggested that if there was a grant writer in the Town, there may be more State funds available. In this case, it would specifically help with maintaining trails.

Report from Farley Lewis regarding Community Preservation Committee Open Space application

The last CPC meeting was canceled. — No new information Breeds Hill — No new information Commerce Rd. — No new information

Report from Town Council Liaison Kris Clark

None

Announcements

Casey (Danhauser) Chatelain will be speaking at the next LAPC meeting on Oct. 4th. The topic is on alternative septic projects located at—Shoebel Pond neighborhood and Cranberry Bog restoration at the headwaters of the Marstons Mills River.

Chair Canedy and Councilor Clark will be meeting with Legal on September 29th to discuss conservation restrictions.

Correspondence

None

Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair

None

Public Comment

None

6:25 PM Adjournment

Motion made by Phyllis Miller and seconded by Anne Rowland.

Vote: All in favor