

Land Acquisition and Preservation Committee

Committee Members

Kris Clark – Chair Phyllis Miller – Vice Chair
Duncan Gibson Steve Gould James Hinkle Thomas Lee Thomas Mullen Steve O’Neil
Jessica Rapp Grasseti – Town Council Liaison

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

February 10, 2014

367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA - 2nd Floor - Selectmen’s Conference Room
5:30 PM

Minutes

Kris Clark - Chair	Present
Phyllis Miller – Vice Chair	Present
Duncan Gibson	Present
James Hinkle	Arrives at 5:36
Thomas Mullen	Absent
Stephen O’Neil	Absent
Tom Lee	Present
Steve Gould	Present
Vacant	

Also present was Carol Puckett – Administrative Assistant.

As a quorum has been met, Kris opens the meeting at 5:34 PM.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from LAP meeting of January 13, 2013

Motion is made by Duncan Gibson and seconded by Phyllis Miller to approve the minutes as submitted.

Vote:

All in favor

Updates

Santuit Preserve: Phyllis Miller

Phyllis Miller states that there aren’t any updates currently.

Pathways

Trail maintenance update: Tom Mullen, Steve Gould

Steve hasn’t been out lately because of inclement weather but will plan to as soon as the weather allows

James Hinkle arrives.

Kris states that there was a pathways meeting held at Barnstable County which Heather McElroy hosted. She suggests that Steve Gould contact Heather in order to be put on the future invitation list. She states that from the Town of Barnstable, the attendees in the past have been Darcy Karle, Ann Canedy, members from this committee

and others from the Barnstable Land Trust to name a few. Kris notes that there is a follow-up meeting and if members are interested to contact Heather.

Community Preservation Committee

January 27: Duncan Gibson

Duncan Gibson reports that he attended the meeting but that the majority of time was spent in executive session discussing strategy for the purchase of several parcels. The rest of the meeting involved approval of funds for improvements for the Burgess House and Barn in Marstons Mills. Tom Lee reports that the committee had voted to approve \$50,000 for the roof on the house but postponed approval for work on the barn. He also reports that the historical consultant is scheduled to do an inspection of the structures this week and is anticipating receiving more information regarding the barn. He states that there was a meeting on Wednesday which will pertain to the Lumbert Mill parcel. James Hinkle asks for clarification on the location of that parcel. Tom Lee states that it is a landlocked parcel and is surrounded by conservation area.

Kris Clark notes that the Cape Cod Rail Trail funding request came before CPC in November and asks if they will be coming to CPC when the job is done. Tom Lee doesn't believe that they need to come back at that point but typically they would keep track of where the spending is. He doesn't believe it has been before Town Council for their approval as of yet.

Jim Hinkle asks why there is a need for someone from this committee to go when Tom Lee is a member. Kris doesn't want to put more pressure on Mr. Lee to answer questions as he is on both committees. Tom Lee isn't opposed to relating information when it is open session and if there is anything they want him to convey he could do that. James Hinkle thinks that they should reconsider having someone from LAPC to attend. Kris asks Tom Lee how he feels about it. Lee states that unless there is something he is uncomfortable with discussing, he could let them know in advance and therefore, someone else from LAPC could attend the meeting in order to report back. Duncan thinks it is beneficial to go and speak and ask questions.

CPC's Meeting of February 24: Phyllis Miller to attend

Recommendations by CPC for open space expenditures

Kris has nothing to report.

Town Council Liaison: Councilor Jessica Rapp Grassetti

Kris relays that Jessica is in a meeting during this meeting and will come and speak if needed.

Old Business

Chair's update: Kris Clark

▪ Review of Southeast Massachusetts Land Trust Convocation on February 1st, 2014

Kris and Duncan did attend. Kris reads from the agenda of that meeting. Duncan hands out the booklet from the presentation given at that meeting (EXHIBIT A). Duncan states that this review is done every two years and is a wealth of information.

▪ Open Space and Recreation Plan's implementation updates

Kris states that everyone should have a copy of a letter from Barnstable Board of Water Commissioner to Tom Lynch – Town Manager. She reads the letter (EXHIBIT B). Kris talks about the chemical spill on Route 6 which bears more focus on the threats to the town's water supply. Duncan notes that last Thursday, Cape Cod Commission (CCC) had their 208 plan update which is a one year program for which all the towns are working with the CCC regarding nitrogen going into the 57 embayment which focuses on how Cape Cod survives because of clean water and its impacts on residents and tourists. Tom Lee states that there are still a lot of things to be resolved in reference to technology and regulations which are not well defined as of yet and that there will be more meetings regarding this in the next several months.

▪ Centerville-Osterville-Marstons Mills Water District

Phyllis states that it was postponed as they had a heavy agenda and Tom and she will attend the first Wednesday in March. Kris notes that if anyone is planning to attend, to please let her know as not to trigger quorum issues.

▪ 2010 Open Space & Recreation Plan (OSRP) review

Kris indicates that there was a mistake in referring to an earlier version of §9 of the OSRP about updating the plan in 2013. The final version states that it is to begin in 2015. She still believes that it would be prudent to work on it during 2014 and that Duncan will be doing so. Duncan states that he will be developing a questionnaire to be given to land owner groups, The Compact, Land Trust, Orenda, etc., on any updates of parcels that they have purchased

since the last plan was done and thinks they could ask how many people utilize the other properties. He believes that it will be helpful when they work on the recreation side of it.

- Vacancy on our committee

Kris states that shortly after the last meeting in January, that Town Council had reconstituted the Appointments Committee and through Ann Canedy, they found that Ryan Mann had withdrawn his name from interested applicants as he will be moving out of the town. She notes that Farley Lewis had applied for the vacancy also and was selected. They are looking forward to having her on the board.

Announcements

2014 Mass Land Conservation Conference

Healthy Land – Healthy Communities

When: Saturday, March 22, 2014 | 8am – 4pm

Where: Worcester Technical High School, One Skyline Drive, Worcester, MA

Kris reads the announcement above. Duncan notes that this is well attended and probably has 50 options to attend seminars during the day and that there is a fee to be paid. James Hinkle asks if there is a way for town budget to reimburse members who would like to attend. Kris will ask.

Motion is made by Phyllis Miller and seconded by James Hinkle to adjourn.

Vote:

All in favor