



Town of Barnstable

Land Acquisition and Preservation Committee

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LAND ACQUISITION AND PRESERVATION COMMITTEE JOINT MEETING WITH BARNSTABLE VILLAGE PRUDENTIAL AND WATER DISTRICT –JANUARY 24, 2012; 7PM -UNITARIAN CHURCH, WARREN HALL

ATTENDEES:

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE: Peter Eleftherakis, Chair; Peter Eastman (Also President of Barnstable Civic Association); Charlie Eager; Chief Robert Crosby

WATER DISTRICT: Jon Erickson, Superintendent; David Jones, Chair; Steve Whitmore, Evelyn Bassett

LAND ACQUISITION AND PRESERVATION COMMITTEE: Kris Clark, Chair, Phyllis Miller, Vice Chair, Tom Lee

OTHERS: Jaci Barton, Barnstable Land Trust; Mark Robinson, Compact of Cape Cod Conservation Trusts; Ann Canedy, Town Councilor; Ed Maroney, Barnstable Patriot; Jim Kinsella, Barnstable Enterprise; Pat & Dick Andres, residents

Kris Clark moderated the meeting and began with introductions. She explained that one of the charges of the Land Acquisition and Preservation Committee (LAPC) was to implement the Town of Barnstable's Open Space Plan. Part of that charge was for the Committee to seek out and identify important properties for immediate or future acquisition. Land sought is land which would fall within Open Space criteria of need, including protection of integrity of wells, access to the shoreline, contiguous wildlife corridors, recreation.

Kris and Jaci pointed out the various protected, and/or open space parcels ; some of which are protected by Conservation, as well as land which is considered "conserved" but not "protected".

The following topics were discussed and points and concerns raised:

- David Jones said that all 5 Barnstable Village wells were protected with 500 feet or more buffers
- Water District Board is very concerned about Town plans to run sewer next to the Golf Course and to pump effluent discharge into McManus property (sub terrain) which is upgradient to wells). They believe that the Town has already proceeded (laying new pipes along Route 132) without communication with the Water District.
- Jon Erickson stated that West Barnstable has plans for a future well site but is concerned that it might not be protected under new zoning maps prepared by Town of Barnstable. (Zone 1 & 2 maps being revised through Cape Cod Commission?)
- Jaci Barton suggested that the Water District seek a CR for Breeds Hill well location from the Town. First step would be to advise and get consensus of constituents during a Fire District meeting.
- Land was identified east of Hyannis Road/Phinneys Lane to Customs House. Potentially part of Cape Cod Pathways link.
- Kris asked that Barnstable Village "take ownership" of some of the Pathways. Village resident Tom Mullen has been committed to clearing, cleaning and providing signage for the trails.



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- Water District said that they have had no problems with users of dirt bikes, etc . They have not felt the need to cordon off portions of property.
- Land was identified two parcels located adjacent to town owned open space in Cummaquid and along Route 6A in Cummaquid. These parcels should be included in inventory “wish list”
- Mark Robinson pointed out that Ch 61 A (farm exemption) is not protected land. The holder of the exemption can take the land out of exemption. Town has right of first refusal.
- Mark discussed the State tax credit for land; also Federal income tax reduction is still available.
- Kris was asked to create link for Prudential and BVCA websites for Cape Cod Pathways Program and to provide flyers for Library.
- Prudential Chair felt that increased access to water was important

The group felt that the meeting was worthwhile. The LAPC agreed to leave the maps so that the interested groups can fine tune their concerns.

LAPC will conduct a follow up meeting to further identify potential properties, to include a wider audience. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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