

Town of Barnstable

Land Acquisition and Preservation Committee



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Committee Members

Ann Canedy – Chair Farley Lewis – Vice Chair
Kris Clark Elissa Crowley Janet Crystal Steve Gould Thomas Lee Phyllis Miller Anne Rowland
Jessica Rapp Grassetti – Town Council Liaison

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Minutes

Monday, November 5, 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	Present
Tom Lee	Absent
Elissa Crowley	Present
Anne Rowland	Absent
Janet Crystal	Present

Also present were Jessica Rapp Grassetti – Town Council Liaison and Carol Puckett – Administrative Assistant

As a quorum has been met, Ann Canedy calls the meeting to order.

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

Everyone present introduces 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 September 10, 2018 and October 1, 2018.

A motion is made by Phyllis Miller and seconded by Kris Clark to accept the September 10th minutes as submitted Vote:

All in favor

A motion is made by Kris Clark and seconded by Elissa Crowley to accept the October 1st minutes as submitted Vote:

All in favor

New Business:

• Wrap-up of Walking Weekend- What worked, what didn't.

Farley reports that on her walk, which took place on Friday, October 5th, she had found some things to be fixed such as trash along powerlines, etc., and that there were no participants. On Saturday, October 6th, she reports that the weather was great and a group of participants walked around Eagle Pond. Steve Gould asks about dog owner clean up. Farley thinks there is room for improvement and that the Barnstable Land Trust (BLT) will have to engage in it. She would like to ask that people be more mindful of cleaning up after their dogs. Will Holden from BLT was the host for the walk on Sunday which ended in Barnstable village and had 19 participants. However, since the walk was lengthy, they will consider shortening it for the next walk. Phyllis Miller suggests that because of the holiday some people don't have time on Friday or Saturday and perhaps it could be the next weekend after Columbus Day. They agree that Fridays might not be conducive to participant's plans.

The final walk was on Monday which was hosted by Kris Clark who reports that there were new faces in the crowd and that they happened upon a cluster of mushrooms (chicken of the woods) which she took a picture of and will forward to Carol. Kris suggests that if BLT is willing, perhaps they could also post LAPC's brochure on their website. Ann also suggests that perhaps BLT could lead the Eagle Pond walk in the future because of liability issues. Farley has looked at liability issues and particularly at the Appalachian Club guidelines which she reads part of (Exhibit A). They discuss liability issues. Ann asks Farley if she had reported the trash issue to anyone. Farley will make note of it and will be the point person for follow-up. Farley then asks for suggestions from the members regarding the spring walking weekend. Ann Canedy suggests that perhaps the spring walk not be scheduled over a holiday weekend and perhaps later in the spring. Elissa Crowley suggests using a phone application for walking groups.

Discussion of proposed change of title and charge of Land Acquisition and Preservation Committee

Ann Canedy thinks that the first step is for herself and Jessica Rapp Grassetti to discuss the charge and then bring some ideas back to this committee. She asks that if anyone has any suggestions to please forward them to her. One of the suggestions is that it be named the Open Space Committee. Ann reminds the members that the administrative code will need to be changed to accomplish this. Another discussion will be for the possibility of getting a member from this committee to represent them on the Community Preservation Committee.

Jessica asks if there will be a subcommittee to discuss their charge and suggests that it could be done at a regular meeting. Farley has pulled up information from other towns regarding their open space committee's charge and notes that LAPC's charge is on the website and needs to be revised. She has also looked at the towns of Orleans and Truro which seem to have the most detailed charges which include looking at inventory and prioritizing parcels for open space and future municipal use. Janet suggests sending that information to the members. Ann Canedy suggests that some of the members meet with Jessica to discuss and have a proposal to be looked at and perhaps voted on at the next LAPC meeting. Jessica reminds the members of the Open Meeting Law and if they are to meet there cannot be a quorum.

Old Business:

• Discussion of proposed CR approval process

Ann Canedy reports that Tom Lee has done a CR approval process flow chart. If the Committee approves the flow chart, Ann will so advise the Town Attorney, Town Council and Town Manager and recommend its adoption.

Janet suggests putting the revision date of October 20th on the chart. Kris thinks it could also be on the CPC website. They discuss the timing sequence of the process and to be mindful that Town Council only meets once a month in the summer and that information would be helpful to the applicant in navigating the process. Ann will contact Tom Lee and have him send the flow chart file to Janet to put into a timeline Excel sheet.

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

Ann asks Jessica the status of:

- Prince Avenue Jessica reports that this was discussed with the Mark Ells Town Manager and the Andy Clyburn Assistant Town Manager and that Dan Santos Director of DPW has purview over it and was to have an engineered plan done for the parking because the state will not accept a hand drawn plan.
- Harju Jessica has nothing new to report. Ann to find out when it was purchased and to obtain the minutes from Town Council.
- o Amaral Jessica has nothing new to report. Ann to find out when it was purchased and obtain the minutes from Town
- Jones Jessica has nothing new to report

o Maddalena – Jessica is unsure about the purchase of the property but will know more tomorrow and report back to Ann so that she can compose a letter as to whether the town will be the property owners or just hold the CR.

• Update from Pathways Subcommittee

Farley reports that Will Holden from BLT is interested working toward volunteer monitoring program and is starting to do one mile sections to see if people will be stewards of those areas. Next meeting is November 28th at 9:00 AM.

- Report from Liaison Jessica Rapp Grassetti
- Update on Santuit Pond Management Plan.

Jessica received communication from Andy Clyburn – Assistant Town Manager dated October 26th regarding the Santuit Management Plan which she reads (Exhibit B). In summary, the Plan is being sent to Mashpee today to Andrew McManus in Mashpee's Conservation Office to the Town Manager to be presented to the Mashpee Board of Selectman for signature. It will then need to go to the state for signature. He would then suggest that Chris Gonnella join Phyllis Miller on the committee and that this project be considered part of the annual budget cycle for maintenance funding.

Report from Tom Lee, CPC

Tom Lee is absent this evening.

 Update on Open Space & Recreation Plan-Report on Massachusetts Coastal Pine Barrens Partnership, "Connecting the Dots: A Whole Landscape Approach to Community Based Conservation".

As for the Open Space and Recreation Plan, Ann Canedy states that Ann Brigham and Elizabeth Jenkins received communication back from the state who had comments on the Plan. In turn, Anna and Elizabeth were going to get together with the consultant to redo the revisions. LAPC's request was to see the revisions prior to them coming back to this committee. As of Wednesday, they had not done the revisions in order to come here tonight. However, Elizabeth has agreed to come back in December with the revisions.

Ann heard from Alissa Young who is the Regional Collaboration Coordinator for the Regional Conservation Partnership (RCP) Network Gathering regarding a workshop on November 15th at UMass-Amherst on "Connecting the Dots: A Whole Landscape Approach to Community Based Conservation. She asks if anyone is interested to see the handout for more details. Also, she has invited Ms. Young as a speaker at LAPC's December meeting.

Approval of 2019 calendar

Motion to approve the calendar is made by Phyllis Miller and seconded by Farley Lewis Vote:

All in favor

Correspondence

Change in Status-Breeds Hill/Shooting Range

Ann also received a notice of project change dated October 5th on West Barnstable shooting range. She states that the notice is to inform all those interested that the actual acreage is 26.4+ acres and not 16.3 acres. This change identified the additional acreage to be transferred from municipal land to conservation land. She reads a quote from the Secretary of the Energy and Environmental Affairs stating that hat the Town of Barnstable will determine if the shooting range will be re-opened and if so, the Town of Barnstable will be responsible for providing appropriate management and oversight for the proposed use. She is not sure of the status of the shooting range but if it is in municipal use they can take their time to clean it up. Jessica also notes that once it is transferred into municipal use as a shooting range it will be under the purview of the Police Department.

Annual Report

Kris Clark has some edits which she will forward to Ann Canedy.

- Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair
- Public Comment
- Adjournment

Motion is made by Phyllis Miller and seconded by Elissa Crowley

Vote:

All in favor

<u>Please Note</u>: 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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