



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
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Minutes

Monday, December 9, 2019

5:30 PM

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

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Ann Canedy - Chair	Present
Farley Lewis – Vice Chair	Present
Phyllis Miller	Present
Kris Clark	Present
Steve Gould	Present
Tom Lee	Present
Elissa Crowley	Present
Anne Rowland	Absent
Janet Crystal	Present

Also present were newly appointed Town Councilors: Kris Clark and Gordon Starr and Carol Puckett – Administrative Assistant

As a quorum has been met, Ann opens the meeting at 5:36 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 of October 7, 2019

Motion is made by Phyllis Miller and seconded by Elissa Crowley to approve the minutes as submitted

Vote:

All in favor

New Business:

• Report on Southeastern Pine Barrens Alliance Conference held on November 19, 2019

Ann reports that herself, Farley Lewis, Janet Crystal, Kris Clark and Phyllis Miller attended the conference. Farley attended the morning portion of the conference and thinks the presentation made was technical in nature and could not stay for the mapping afternoon session. However, they offered a lot of diverse ideas and opinions from interest groups. Ann Canedy states that the purpose of the organization is to create a conservation division for a particular type of pine barren ecosystem with which the Cape is well endowed with. They are talking in terms of emphasizing the climate change and trying to develop specific approaches to support

the native species. Farley asks if they were going to offer summation from of the conference. Ann thinks they are going around to different regions in order to get feedback and then will come back with a direction and a more specific proposal.

Kris knows that Ed Hoopes was an attendant who has worked on the map which is still a work in progress. She thinks that the mapping process could be better and perhaps staff could provide input as to how the maps could be modified to be of benefit to the Town of Barnstable. Ann asks Tom Lee to follow up with Ed Hoopes to see if he plans on becoming involved. Farley notes that the Cape Cod Commission has been the primary node but is wondering if there is going to be a final pulling together of information for an instrument that everyone to use. Ann Canedy will talk to Heather McEvoy and the conservation agent to see what the plans will be.

- **New committee member application/thank you to Kris Clark**

Ann thanks Kris for her membership and attendance and congratulates her and Gordon Starr on their elections to Town Council. Ann notes that Kris has been instrumental as chair on LAPC and is looking forward to her support.

Ann also notes that now perhaps they could revisit their charge and the re-naming of this committee. Also, Doug Payson has shown interest in becoming a member of LAPC and has made application to the Appointments Committee for their consideration.

Old Business:

- **Update on Pending Conservation Restrictions (CR) -Prince Avenue/Harju/Amaral/Communication Way**

Ann reports that the second draft of the Orenda CR is in the Town Attorney's office. The Town Attorney's office has also requested that the Town Surveyor obtain a survey of Prince Avenue and the Harju property in order to move them along. She also reports that Conservation signed 200 Communications Way CR which is now moving along. As for the CR process flowchart, Lindsey Counsell has concerns about the flow of the proposed process and thinks perhaps it might be cumbersome. Ann will talk to him about it but thinks what Tom Lee has created is workable and is something that can be used. Tom Lee thinks that they need to put it into practice then tweak if necessary. Ann suggests that perhaps Tom Lee, Farley Lewis, and her meet to discuss before or after a CPC meeting.

- **Update on Pathways Subcommittee**

Farley states that the committee is looking at getting together in January. Jaci Barton has been helpful in doing a lot of research to see who owns what parcels which is a complex project. The project is doing an application for the pathways for people to get information on pathways. Farley asks for thoughts or ideas on getting the library moving forward.

- **Update on Santuit Management Plan and Committee**

Ann Canedy wrote to Andy Clyburn who will look into the status on the management plan. However, there hasn't been a meeting since August and there has been some concern regarding the pond's environment. Phyllis Miller says herself and Kris Clark attended the last meeting in Mashpee recently where there was a discussion about the toxic blooms. Santuit River was awarded a grant and because of that grant, they are preparing to build a culvert where the stables were in order to increase the flow. Also, last year they had trouble with the dam which is still a concern.

Ann and Phyllis explain to Gordon Starr the nature of the Santuit Preserve, the management plan and the composition of that committee. Steve Gould has photos from late September regarding the area of concern. Phyllis Miller states that the Wampanoag's, Mashpee and the state have all expressed their concerns about the toxic blooms. Kris Clark notes that at the Mashpee Town Council's meeting there was a team presentation explaining and giving attention to that problem. She also explains that the land for the Santuit Preserve was purchased with Land Bank money by the Town of Mashpee, Town of Barnstable and the state and that they are obliged to have a management plan.

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

Ann Canedy hasn't received any updates. She notes that there was an email in September of 2018 from Planning & Development Department and that LAPC would have edits by the end of October, 2018 with a follow-up discussion in November, 2018. She notes that updates were required but that the State only gave the plan a conditional approval. Also, as of this date, the plan is not completed and asks Kris Clark and Gordon Starr to look into getting that plan approved.

Gordon asks if grant deadlines are being missed. Ann Canedy says yes and explains. Ann asks Kris and Gordon to lend support in order to get this moving.

Gordon Starr asks if there are plans once a CR is done and if they need to be walked yearly. He also asks what happens if the path is also on private land. Ann Canedy states that each CR lists the property owner but isn't sure if it lists whether it is private land. Kris thinks that it needs to be true to the terms under which it was acquired. Tom Lee explains that if the Conservation Commission (ConComm) receives the CR, that they have to do an annual visit which can only be done with the availability of staff.

Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair

None

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

Motion by is made by Phyllis Miller and seconded by Steve Gould 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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