

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, April 12, 2021 5:30 PM

5:30 PM Call to Order

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No Response

Introduction of Land Acquisition and Preservation Committee Members

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

Also present were Kris Clark – Town Council Liaison

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Approval of Minutes

Currently, LAPC is without support staff due to illness. Planning Department is doing their best to keep up. They are hiring someone temporarily to record Zoning Board Minutes first and then LAPC. Minutes that are currently missing are: September 14, 2020, December 14, 2020, January 11, 2021, and March 8, 2021.

New Business

- There are four members whose terms are expiring in June. Hoping everyone will stay on. Everybody is very important. The deadline is May 3rd to let Cynthia Lovell know you would like to re-sign for your term. Send Chair Canedy a copy of your notification to Cynthia, so she is aware who has signed up for another three year term. If you don't want to re-up, the office will say there is a vacancy. Tracey Pratt has picked up someone else's term that is expiring and that is why his term is expiring.
- Chair Canedy has met with Lev Malakov a couple of times taking a look at the missing link to the pathways. Malakov thought Boulder Lane was accessible. Chair Canedy will follow- up with legal, not sure if that is accurate. Possible proposal is to re-route a pathway through Barnstable Water District. We have set up a meeting for June to discuss this idea. Chair Canedy asked if Member Payson would attend the meeting with the Water District because he knows the area.
- We are continuing to work with David Anthony on the bridge behind Trayser. Mr. Anthony is working with the Barnstable Land Trust to create a Notice of Intent with Conservation Commission. He is aware Lev Malakov has a group that will supply materials and build the bridge. It's a matter of the Town and Conservation working out the details. Hopefully, LAPC will be notified and we can support it. Chair Canedy has conveyed the urgency to move this forward because the trails are popular and the time of year where it is needed is approaching.
- Status of the outstanding Conservation Restrictions Chair Canedy asked the Planning Department if the
 Conservation flow chart has been kept up to date. It's important that it is kept up because we put a lot of effort
 into creating the system. Specifically, I'm interested in the status of Wakeby, Amaral, Harju, and Prince Ave.
 The Falcon Road Wirtanen Property has been recorded. Chair Canedy refers to Counselor Clark regarding
 signage that is needed at Falcon Road area.
- Pathways Report –Vice-Chair Farley Lewis stated that the subcommittee had not met recently. Asked if Doug Payson had any new information. Member Payson spoke with Lev Malakov and Chair Canedy about motorized vehicle use specifically in Barnstable Village. From his understanding he thought some of the young riders had been stopped and possibly their parents cited. As a result of that, Payson hasn't seen any dirt bikes or ATV tracks on the trail since then. It's important to manage these trails to protect endangered plants and species. Farley Lewis says there is no subcommittee meeting scheduled at this time. Counselor Clark thought it would be good to send a thank you to Natural Resources for catching the riders. It not an easy job to catch the riders in the act. Also, send a thank you to the Town Manager's Office if police officers were involved. A suggestion would be to put a notice on the Town's website or other Department website so that people are aware it's illegal to use motorized vehicles in the Town. It's positive to see people walking on the trails from other towns. As we think about signage, possibly having no motorized vehicles sign below the trailhead signs. Again, dogs on leashes, there would be many nice options with a DCR grant.
- The Santuit Preserve Phyllis Miller refers to Tracey Pratt. Member Pratt mentions the herring run is full of fish and birds. The fish ladder is working. Lots of people are using the Preserve. The trails are in good shape. The Town did some work in the fall around the bog and widened trails. On the Mashpee side of the river they cut in some steps down to the herring run by the pool so that people can see the herring. They also put up a barrier to protect the embankment on the other side.

There hasn't been too much motorized use. At the end of Hollow Road, to the north, there is a small bog that Mashpee is or has purchased. There was a steel fence that was put up previously by the private owner in that area. The fence has been knocked down and people are driving into the meadow and littering. Member Pratt wondered who oversees this area since the land was sold adjacent. Member Miller called Mashpee Conservation about the situation and left a message with Cynthia, but has not heard back. Member Miller and Member Pratt will co-ordinate another call. Chair Canedy thanks Member Miller, Pratt, and Gould for their good stewardship of this piece of land. Chair Canedy will also send a letter thanking DPW for their maintenance of the area.

- Councilor Clark requested if Member Farley Lewis could ask for an updated Flow Chart at the next CPC meeting.
- Twin Brooks 35 Scudder Ave. Member Liz Lewis sees more people are concerned with the size and location of the project. Chair Canedy would like the committee to compile an open space and recreation plan with specific areas of concern as it relates to Land Acquisition and Preservation Committee. If the project moves forward it would be important to shape the project for the protection of the wetlands, reduction of hardscape and more open space, wanting to protect the creeks and vernal pools. As a committee, we need to work together for what we want to advocate.

Councilor Clark made reference to the Agenda. The report should read 35 Scudder Ave. not 35 Scudder Lane.

Member Farley Lewis states that one of the purposes of LAPC's is to support and promote open space. That is very important to the Town. Member Liz Lewis also agrees and thinks it would be beneficial for land to be used as a park for the community. Chair Canedy suggests that the committee advocate for as much open space as possible, but if the project goes through then they would be looking at shared use.

Member Liz Lewis asks about the Open Space Document, if it has been signed off by the State. Division of Conservation Services has accepted the document and it won't expire until August 2025. Elizabeth Jenkins may have the document that was sent from the State, Chair Canedy will ask Ms. Jenkins about it. The local comprehensive plan is available online and is by Village. Hyannis may have information regarding their needs. It's under Planning and Development on the Town website.

- Breeds Hill No new information
- Spring Weekend Report Farley Lewis
 Kris Clark, Lisa Crowley, Doug Payson are offering to be leaders. Tracey and Steve will also have walks in honor
 of Steve Gould's father. Steve Gould connected to the meeting at 6:11 PM. Confirmed he would lead a walk.
 Media coverage for the walk should include the newsletter, town website, Barnstable Patriot and other local
 bulletin boards.

Correspondence

None

Items not reasonably anticipated by the ChairNone

Public Comment

None

6:18 PM Adjournment

Motion made by Chair Canedy and seconded by Doug Payson.

Vote:

AYE: Anne Rowland, Ann Canedy, Farley Lewis, Doug Payson, Lisa Crowley, Steve Gould, Liz Lewis

Phyllis Miller, Tracey Pratt

NAY: None