

**Town of Enfield  
Mascoma Lakeside Park Fundraising Committee  
Minutes, March 6, 2018**

The committee met at 4:30 in the DPW Bldg conference room. Present: Meredith Smith, Kate McMullan, Doug Smith, Ryan Aylesworth, Shirley Green, Ed and Julie McLaughlin, Jo-Ellen Courtney, Mary Ann Haagen Ken Warren. Absent: Terri Lynch Bob Barr, Kim Quirk. Guest: Scott Osgood, Zoning Administrator. Minutes of the meeting on 2-6-18 were corrected and approved.

**Financial Report:** Ryan distributed a report of pledges and cash received to date. Adding those received at this meeting, the total now stands at \$33,370. Shirley reported that the Eastman Charitable Foundation is enthusiastic and is planning to enhance their \$5000 gift through a raffle. Doug said that it is easier sometimes to get a lump sum pledge than a cash contribution, suggesting that these need not be collected until after Town Meeting and the establishment of a purchase price. Ryan again reviewed the acknowledgement process and said that pledges will be acknowledged as well as cash contributions. Julie will help call in the pledges when the committee decides to do so. Mary Ann said that the letter she had received from Ryan was exactly right.

**Purchase Price:** Ryan has a new contact at DOT. Bill Cass told him that the state has not yet conducted their appraisal and is no closer to establishing a price. This will be done by The Long-Range Planning and Capital Utilization Committee, and probably won't happen until the next legislative session. They must receive "fair market value". Ryan hopes that the two appraisers will eventually consult and bring the state appraisal into range with ours.

**Public Forum:** The meeting on February 26<sup>th</sup> was well attended. Ryan's presentation was excellent. Although the underpass was a distraction and there were some new objections raised, the general response was positive. There was a question about toxic waste on the site. This can be covered in the purchase and sales agreement. There was a comment about boats with Vermont registration. Kate has since urged the boat owners to get NH registration. After the conclusion of the public forum Kurt Godhardt brought forth a suggestion to consider using the \$125,000 land acquisition fund currently held by the town. At today's meeting, after discussion, the committee decided that it would be best to bury this suggestion and stick by the promise not to use taxpayer funds for the park acquisition.

**The Campaign:** Doug reported that the silent campaign is underway. He and other members have made some calls and are making appointments. He brought in three pledges today totaling \$2700.

**Town Meeting:** Ken was asked to identify a speaker from the Rail Trail Alliance. Ryan will approach Paul Currier to represent the snowmobilers. Mary Ann agreed to speak. Ryan will update and use his excellent power point.

**Grant Funding:** Several applications are underway. Ed is working on Hope, Couch and Timken. He invited committee members to review the applications prior to submission. This can be done by using his password. Kate is working on Rotary Clubs in Lebanon and Hanover. Others discussed include the Lions Club, Dartmouth Sailing Club, Mascoma Lake Association and the NH division of Parks and Recreation. Bill Gegas is the contact.

**Gift Range Table:** Mary Ann asked for a gift range table as an aid to soliciting larger gifts. Doug will provide one. The meeting adjourned at 6:00pm.

**Next Meeting:** Back to previous time and place: 3:30 at Town Hall, Tuesday March 20<sup>th</sup>.

Doug Smith, Secretary