Town of Enfield Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee Minutes, April 17, 2018

The committee met at 3:30 in the Whitney Hall conference room. Present: Meredith Smith, Kate McMullan, Doug Smith, Ryan Aylesworth, Shirley Green, Ed and Julie McLaughlin, Mary Ann Haagen, Jo Ellen Courtney. Absent: Terry Lynch, Kim Quirk, Bob Barr, Scott Osgood. Approval of the minutes of the previous meetings on March 20 and April 3 were unanimously made after corrections.

Financial Report: Ryan distributed a report of cash and pledges received to date. The totals, \$41,619.99 in cash, and \$89,850 in pledges. The Pledge Thank You letter procedure will be: Julie McLaughlin will send out letters using Town letterhead, as modified by Ryan. A draft of the letter will be forwarded to the committee for review.

Purchase Price: Ryan had a meeting (formal) on April 12 with Joe Kenney. Joe expressed his support for the project and his willingness to lobby DOT and the members of the legislature.

The Campaign: Doug updated the committee on the activities using a spreadsheet he's developed, with prospects names and the name of the committee member working with the individual prospect. There were quite a few names that have not been approached yet and Doug was looking for volunteers to take on any of the names they knew. Shirley and Ed submitted updates to Doug. Doug also asked that the members use his spreadsheet for any new contact or updates, to avoid overlaps.

Foundation Campaign Update: Kate updated the committee on the foundations she is working with: Mascoma Bank Foundation, submitted. LCHIP, discussions are underway, although they feel we might not be a good fit for them. Kate, Meredith and Ryan are going to an LCHIP workshop. New Hampshire Charitable Foundation offers an Express Grant, which Kate is going to pursue for its relevance to our project. Mary Ann will contact a source who worked with the Lebanon Greenway Project who has worked with this grant. Moose Grant, a new grant being pursued. Couch Foundation, Kate had a very encouraging discussion and will be submitting a request. Ed is also pursuing the Hope Foundation; the grant application was circulated for review. The requested amount to be \$10,000. Timken Foundation, no update. Dartmouth College Sailing Club and Sailing Team, have been approached with negative responses, but the members of the committee are to pursue other contacts whom Ed can approach. Enfield K of C, no update.

Rail Trail: Ken Warren put a supportive article about MLP in the Friends of the Northern Rail Trail current newsletter.

Mascoma Lake Association:

MLA is holding a board meeting April 17, where their support for our project will be discussed. Kate will attend this meeting. The support to be discussed includes financial support, a story in the spring newsletter and our participation in their annual meeting on June 28.

Kiosk:

A discussion was held about the kiosk and the needs for sight work to be completed before the kiosk can be placed. Mascoma Sailing Club has a work day on May 5 (?) where they have agreed to help with installation. Terri Lynch is coordinating this activity upon her return from vacation. Meredith agreed to talk with Jim Taylor to coordinate town support

Other Activities: Kristin Harrington wrote a very positive letter in support of MLP on the Listserv site. We need to encourage more people to continue this positive feedback.

The Shaker Seven Road Race, June 24, presents a potential fundraising event for MLP. Meredith will discuss this with Julie Eckert.

Jo Ellen reviewed a series of suggestions by the Energy Committee for fundraising: to include a recycling bin for clothing and shoes being placed on the park property for a 2 week period. A further discussion of all recycling took place, with many pros and cons. The discussion was tabled for the next meeting. Jo Ellen will get more information from Holly West with the Energy Committee.

Next Meeting: May 1, 2018 Whitney Hall conference room, 3:30

Meeting adjourned.

Julie McLaughlin