

Lake Mansfield Improvement Task Force

(Approved on 1/14/2011 with one change: BOS (Feb 28th) instead of 26th)

January 10th, 2011 Meeting Minutes

Location: 2nd floor Town Hall meeting room, 334 Main Street, Great Barrington

Present: C. Ward, chairperson; D. Abrams, J. Dezieck, R. Dlugosz, N. Evans, Elaine Hines (replacing Marco Crescentini as Conservation Commission representative), C. Rembold (ex officio), D. Phillips, S. Fowle Schroeder, J. Sokul

Next meeting: 2/14/11 at 8:30 A.M., Town Hall (In C. Ward's absence, that meeting will be chaired by R. Dlugosz.)

Minutes of last meeting, 12/13/10: Approved as read. All minutes dating from 2007 on have been filed at Town Hall.

Great Barrington Code re Lake Mansfield: Developed in language paralleling that covering McAllister property and reviewed by LMITF members.

Action required: Document delivered to be reviewed by the Conservation Commission on January 26th, this meeting will include a public hearing time for the proposed guidelines. Con Com, the sponsoring entity, will bring to Select Board (Feb 28th meeting). Con Com can delegate some of its rights/responsibilities to other Commissions, e.g. Parks.

LMITF recommends to Con Com that no fires be permitted in the town forest. (Elaine Hines noted in a subsequent email that fires are currently forbidding in the Conservation Forest) It was noted that no sign currently exists saying whom to call re infractions. Need for improved signage, re: skate at own risk, prevention of spread of invasive species..

Jurisdictional Wetland in Lake Mansfield Watershed:

Action Required: E. Hines will draft a letter to disseminate to Eastview Pool members. Draft will be sent to Christine to gather input. The draft will be sent along w/ a map of the wetland area and information on screening suggestions.

Lake Mansfield Trails: Work completed for season. Spring work will include final compressing of trail beds, installation of trail kiosks at the beach area & Christian Hill Entrance.

Grant Updates:

604b Planning Grant: Got notice to proceed with 2011 Knob Hill storm water mitigation planning. Contract awarded to Foresight. C. Rembold will suggest how LMITF can help at our February meeting.

319 Non-point Source Pollution Grant: D.P.W. match funds are in place.

Action Required: Some ownership issues at boat launch to be rectified.

Review of LMITF Update to Select Board, related boards/commissions: Christine will seek amendments to the draft and will prepare a final draft for the Task Force approval to be presented to the BOS (FEB 26th)

Updates from Conservation Commission, Planning Board, Parks Commission, Town Planner: No specific updates.

N. Evans, Secretary