MEDWAY COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

155 Village Street Medway, Massachusetts 02053

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Tina Wright, Member, Open Space Committee
Ellen Hillery, Finance Committee Liaison

Approved: October 5, 2015

Meeting Minutes: September 8, 2015 Medway High School Library

Call to order:

With a guorum being met, this meeting was called to order by Chairman Cerel at: 7:35pm.

Committee Members present: Mark Cerel, Chairman, Dave Kaeli, Vice Chairman, Member Gene Liscombe, Member Ken McKay, Member Alison Slack, Member Jim Wieler, Member Tina Wright, Finance Committee Liaison Ellen Hillery and Administrative Assistant Shirley Bliss.

Guest Present:

Karl Infanger and Kevin Collins, Medway High School teachers

Discussions:

StoryWalk – Karl Infanger and Kevin Collins

Mr., Infanger and Mr. Collins presented the Committee with a request for funding for this project. StoryWalk is a project that includes kiosk's that in order tell a story. This story can be about anything, flowers, the history of Medway, an actual book; the story behind the high school. There will be 12 kiosks in total, along the 1.5 mile path that runs between the high school and Choate Park. Their plan is to have different classes supply the story and each story would run approximately one month. Mr. Infanger has a Master Gardener who has volunteered to help with the landscaping of each kiosk.

This project is curriculum based and involves both literacy and exercise for all the students involved and the community that walks the trail.

The cost of each kiosk is based upon the material used and who does the building. If it is done by volunteers the costs would be approximately \$200 each; if build commercially, the costs would run \$800-\$1000 each.

After a discussion it was determined that this project would qualify under the recreation aspect of the Community Preservation Act and that although this Committee likes this idea, they need more information. Mr. Infanger and Mr. Collins were asked to come back to the October 5, 2015 meeting with more definite figures, time frames, installation information, opinions from other boards in town that should be informed of this project (ConCom, Town Administrator, BOS. School Committee). They we also instructed due to time constraints that they need to get a place holder for the November STM.

Conway School – Jennifer

As._____ was present to present an update on this project.

The Conway School is very interested in working with Medway; all the required paperwork has been prepared and is ready for submittal to the Conway School for a decision. This School choses projects to be worked on by their Master's Candidates; spring 2016 is the anticipated start date.

This project will focus on a 47.8 acre parcel of land with the possibility of an additional 9 acres being looked at.

After a discussion which included doing the work in phases in order to include the whole corridor and other long term concerns; it was noted that the Committee is generally in favor of this Open Space sponsored project.

Trails: Tina Wright

Open Space is looking to extend the current trail that is at the High School. They would like to extend it to Idylbrook Farm. They are the beginning of the process and will update as needed.

Playground Update: Tina Wright

Project will not make STM; as it has been decided that a broader look at all playgrounds is needed; with the focus being on making Choate Park into a more central point of town.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made and unanimously passed to accept the August 3, 2015 minutes be accepted with noted changes.

Motion: Dave Kaeli Seconded: Jim Wieler Vote: 7-0-0

Adjournment:

With no further business before this Committee a motion was made and unanimously passed to adjourn this meeting at: 8:55pm.

Motion: Ken McKay Seconded: Jim Wieler Vote: 7-0-0