

**November 7, 2012  
Open Space Committee  
Medway Senior Center  
Oakland St.  
Medway, MA 02053**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

<b>Attendance</b>	Tina	Jim	Paul	Pat	Glenn	Bruce	Mike
Present	x	X	x	X		X	X
Absent with notice					X		
Absent without notice							

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 7:06 pm.

**Idylbrook PARC Grant:**

There is no update on the PARC grant.

**Village Street Canoe and Fish Pier Update:**

The Chairman indicated that the application still needs to be signed. This is waiting for signature.

The Chairman will follow-up with the Conservation Agent.

The DPW Director Tom Holder provided follow-up to the Chairman.

The public hearing will need to be set up and scheduled through the Conservation Commission.

The Open Space Committee would like to be informed about the date and time of the hearing.

**Amphitheatre Property Plan:**

Member Marble informed the Board that there were 10-12 people at the clean-up day. There was a lot of debris taken out. The area between the condos and the river was cleared until the marker. It is now wide open and there is a great view of the river.

The Open Space would like to finish the trail. It was suggested that the Committee needs to get chain saws on site to make necessary improvements to the trail.

There needs to be work on the fence.

Mr. Sibley wants a day when work on the fence will take place. The Open Space Committee noted that the weekend is the best time. Mr. Sibley will be digging the holes and Open Space is putting in the fence.

There needs to be a date scheduled for fence installation.

Member Marble will follow-up with a date and time.

Member Wickis reported that he has worked on the trail in the back. There were no problem with water erosion in the back. The water did not build up or cause any erosion. There are five or six trees which have blown half way over.

**Community Farm:**

Member Francis communicated that Glen Murphy from the Conservation Commission has reviewed the Request for Determination of Applicability. This was also reviewed by the Chairman of the Conservation Commission.

The application has been sent to the Conservation Commission.

The Conservation Commission meeting will be held on November 15, 2012 at 7:00 pm.

Members Marble and Wickis will be in attendance.

**Land Gifting Guidelines:**

The revised draft of the land gifting guidelines were approved at the Open Space meeting and forwarded to the Board of Selectmen as requested.

**Town Open Space:**

Member McHallam will provide a map of the open space throughout town.

It was suggested that Pat contact Fran to see if an Open Space Map has been created.

**Review Draft of Open Space Update:**

The Board is in receipt of the Open Space Committee Plan and Overview update dated November 2012.

The Committee is in support of this document.

**Clean Sweep Day:**

A memo a dated October 31, 2012 was provided to the Open Space Committee regarding the Town Clean Sweep Day which has been scheduled for April 27, 2012.

The Open Space Committee is in support of this but they would like to define their focus. The Committee will pick an Open Space parcel which they will clean this up.

**RFP:**

The RFP for the Consultants on the fields has gone out. The Committee would like to see maintenance to be part of the report.

After the Board of Selectmen award the contract, the Open Space Committee would like to provide the consultant with information relative to maintenance plans.

**Thayer Street:**

The update on the Thayer Street property is that there is a concern about the low estimate for the maintenance of the property. The Town is estimating \$20,000 for maintenance. The Inn Caretaker of the property will live at the property rent free and would be responsible for handling the day to day operations. There was a question about insurance of those catering on site along with who is responsible for the alcohol which is brought on site.

The plan is to have a 2.5 million dollar sympathetic addition. There will be a steering committee set up if approved at town meeting.

The goal is to make this area the center piece of town.

The Chairman communicated that she abstained from any vote on this project.

Let town meeting vote and specific and open space is very much in conflict and.

The funding of this would be will through bonding through CPC for 20 years.

The goal is to break even after two years.

It would be great to see the barn being used.

**Draft of Land Acquisition Document:**

The Board is in receipt of the draft of land acquisition document. The Committee is support of this document.

**October 2, 2012 Minutes:**

**On a motion made by Paul Marble and seconded Mike Francis, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes from October 2, 2012 with the noted revisions.**

**Adjourn:**

**On a motion made by Paul Marble and Mike Francis, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Sutherland  
Recording Secretary  
Approved December 4, 2012