

**Town Of Medway
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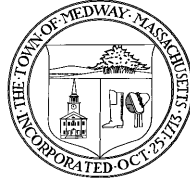
Meeting on May 1, 2012, held at the Senior Center

Attendance	Tina	Jim	Paul	Pat	Glenn	Bruce	Mike
Present	x	x	x		x	x	
Absent with notice				x			x
Absent without notice							

Members of the public: five members of the Sanford Mill Condominium Association

The meeting was called to order at 7:06pm by the Chairperson, Tina Wright. Comments from the public: Members of the Sanford Mill condo's wanted a better understanding of the plans for the property

1. Minutes of March 6th Jim motion, Mike seconded 4-0 approved
 - a. Motion to approve executive minutes from Aug 2 2011, Sept 6 2011, Oct 4 2011, Nov 10 2011 and Jan 3rd 2012. Jim motion to approve, Paul seconded. 4-0 approved
2. Mike met with community farm and concom about a walking trail around the perimeter of the property, the farm committee had approved it
 - a. Next step flag a trail around perimeter
 - b. Map it, rda with concom
 - c. Vernal pool around, recommend removing buckthorn
 - d. Mike will discuss vernal pool with concom
3. Tina Norfolk county engineers have supposedly finished, but neither Tom or Bruce have been notified. Need to verify no changes
 - e. Tina will talk to Tom to get paperwork that was approved
4. State has parkland grants, Tina to meet with Parks Dept and Susy Thursday morning about two grant requests
 - a. Put fence around seating area at Choate Park
 - b. Upgrade Idylbrook irrigation , also boardwalk to tie into other properties
 - c. May be able to apply for larger grant if over 100 parking spaces



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- d. Earliest answer on grant would be summer of 2013
- e. Bruce recommended we have Gino explore all possibilities

5. Town meeting

- f. Pesticide brochure will be ready
- g. Map to see trail properties
- h. Fran could possibly show all properties owned by town
- i. Possibly one from web site be blown up
- j. Tina to ask Fran to get map for town meeting and if somebody at town hall has easel

6. Pat is looking at a conference on rain water

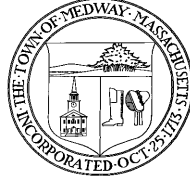
7. Verify that Route 109 project will not impact a crossing light at Choate park

8. May 28th at 6:00 Pm to meet at Idylbrook and then follow up at Iarussi, following week before May meeting meet at Pine Ridge and then look at Canoe launch

9. Amphitheater discussion:

- a. Condo association would appreciate plan
- b. Looking to get appraisal on Boznowski property to purchase possibly if available, expect appraisal in June, then can discuss
- c. Current easement not ideal for parking and trail access
- d. Would prefer natural border to allow privacy for condo owners
- e. Add hours to sign "Dawn to Dusk"
- f. Sanford Mills Master deed does not allow changes to parking configuration
- g. Condo association is concerned with safety of residence
- h. Goal to clear all invasive species, downed trees
- i. Condo association concerned with additional trash
 - o We would ideally like trash at the top on town hall property and carry in carry out signs
- j. Jim Weiler pointed out the benefits to local users
- k. Condo also concerned about Kids and drinking
- l. Signs to clearly state usage, etc
- m. Space is part of town history
- n. Possible points of interest along river access

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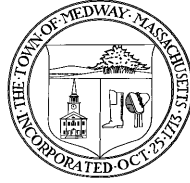
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- o. Condo association will reach out to Condo building owner on signage
 - p. OS to email project plan to condo association when ready, expect to complete in the next three months
 - q. Get survey plan to concom on wetlands. She had expected wetlands to be designated. Jim contacted Paul Desimone to ask him. Jim spent time between town hall and town accountant to resolve payment to Paul., now that it's resolved, we expect him to complete
 - r. Need to determine if wetlands are man made
 - s. Use 20B Oak st Kiosk as design idea for space
 - t. Need consistent signage across all signs (will work with Eagle scouts when we agree)
 - u. Susy to reach out to concom once a year to invite to a joint meeting
 - v. Design review did not like 2B Oak st kiosk design
 - w. Susy recommended going to DRC meeting and look at their designs
 - x. Susy mentioned design review meeting, 3 people, includes special permits, all signs need to be reviewed, broad based design, resource, developing a new design / seal. New draft proposal coming
 - y. Have landscape designer (using full Adobe Suite.)
 - z. Work on proposal as if we are purchasing Boznowski land
 - aa. Look at Variety of Plants (White Pine is cheaper), Already some native species growing
 - bb. Work with Gino to come up with drawings, work towards having complete by June 30th, we do not need written details yet
 - cc. Mike suggested we look at a phased approach
10. Tina will work with Fran to come up with drawing for town meeting, may ask Pat for help. Tina also to talk to BOS about handout
11. Jim Wieler suggested we could possibly create town forest with Briggs property and could actively manage if we wanted
12. Notification of work, etc
- a. Requirements for formal notification (Susy does not believe we are at that stage yet)
 - b. As a courtesy we may want to establish our own policy as to what our steps / notification would be. GIS can help with that

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- c. No individual postage budget for Open Space
 - d. Will notify abutters of Amphitheater and Canoe launch of any work being done
13. Wickett property, no easy access to any entrance other than Olsohn Circle, we would need two access points
- a. Could site be used as a well, Tom Holder would need to approach Army Core of Engineers
 - b. Jim recommended purchasing for animal habitat, trees, open space, would be an asset to the town
 - c. Mike agreed with Jim, it's a sizable acreage and diverse habitat
 - d. What is CPC role, notify them of intent, get agreement, present to BOS, then present to CPC
 - e. Bruce – Mixed, can see value, not on OSC priority list, only so much money and what if other more desirable opportunity came up.
 - f. Paul same concerns as Bruce, but agreed need to look at how likely other parcels are available, and is one of the largest tracks in town, and abutters did sign a petition for town to look at purchasing
 - g. Tina 10 acres abutting Winthrop St, could be corridor, look at Chicken Brook
 - h. Defer more discussion to next meeting, look at longer range plan
 - i. We had no cutoff point of previous ratings, just guidelines
 - j. Mike asked if we should look at regardless of fiscal knowledge and just base decision on OSC criteria.
 - k. We will need clear reasons why we agree or disagree with moving forward
 - l. Bruce will look at chicken Brook for other parcels
 - m. Possibly use quantitative values to look at existing rankings
14. Next meeting possibly July 11th

At 10:00, Paul made a motion that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Jim. All voted in favor of this motion 5-0.

The next meeting of the Medway Open Space Committee will take place on Tuesday, June 5th, 2012, at 7:00pm at the Senior Center.

Submitted by Paul marble, Clerk, meeting minutes approved August 7th 2012