

## Town Of Medway Open Space Committee 155 Village Street

Medway, Massachusetts 02053

Tina Wright, Chairman Jim Wickis, Vice-Chairman Paul Marble - Clerk Bruce Hamblin Patrick McHallam Glenn Murphy Mike Francis

Meeting on June 5th, 2012, held at the Senior Center

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

Members of the Park Commission also in attendance. Nate Carlucci, Bob Regan and Russ Rackloff

The meeting was called to order at 7:07pm by the Chairperson, Tina Wright. Joint meeting between parks and Open Space. Also in Attendance Dave D'Amico, Susy Affleck-Childs

- 1. There will be a walk through of the Idylbrook park on Friday with employees of the state to get a better feel for the grant and how to approach it
  - 1. Multiuse proposal has better chance of succeeding
  - 2. Joint proposal from Concom, Parks and town
  - 3. Looking for 20K investment from Parks
  - 4. Need a public hearing before submitting grant, public hearing date is June 25<sup>th</sup>
  - 5. Dave mentioned that Parks was getting 70K in the budget for park improvements, approximately 20K will be needed around Choate to connect to the Thayer property
  - 6. Parks has 100K capital reserves, estimated 130K for irrigation of Idylbrook
  - 7. Town needs to commit to funds before applying for grants
  - 8. Proposal also needs to be presented to Concom
  - 9. Look at adding small playground equipment as would signs / tables
  - 10. Concern with adding a boardwalk would be the cost and maintenance of rebuilding / replacing later on
  - 11. All agreed a united front to BOS would look better
- Mike Motion to adjourn joint meeting and go directly into Open Space meeting. Pat Second. 5-0 vote to adjourn joint session.
- 3. Susy asked for input on Briefing Document
  - 1. Add Flora / fauna was recommended



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- 2. Add educational signage to document
- 3. Mike mentioned that 'Naturescape' as green playground equipment
- 4. Susy also asked if OSC had any thoughts on zoning changes
  - 1. Copies of OSRD changes were passed out
  - 2. It was agreed the Medway was in good shape as to presentation of subdivisions
  - 3. Add Zoning changes / recommendations to next meeting agenda
- 5. Did not have enough members from previous May meeting to vote on minutes tabled for now
- 6. Committee should look at other properties on list and compare to Wickett property
  - 1. Susy to map town land vacant and chapter 61 so OSC can see what we may be interested in
- 7. Amphitheater Update
  - 1. Condo associate asked if we had update to plan and several other questions
    - Responded that it was being updated now, not ready for presentation yet
  - 2. Will look to present to town as 3D if practical
  - 3. Subcommittee will be meeting at town hall next Monday 8:00 Am
  - 4. Still waiting on appraisal of Vin's property
  - 5. Goal is to use a natural boundary from condos using pines, or other trees / shrubs
  - 6. Tina checked drainage pipes, need a plan to deal with, possibly look at creating a rain garden
  - 7. Plan for invasives possibly look at volunteers to help maintain
  - 8. Look at green trash compactors / storage
  - 9. Question came up if we could tie in with Neeland property, no way to tie in with Amphitheater
  - 10. Grant proposal was for canoe launch, would need to ask for separate grant for rest of Amphitheater
  - 11. Next steps are for a second draft incorporating Jim's details and then present to town
  - 12. Plan B is to ask Vin for easement, no current plan C
  - 13. Look at what slope / grade on hill then we look at next steps for a trail or other options. Possibly look to CPC for funds
- 8. Village St canoe launch, Tina will contact Norfolk County engineering to determine if they have contacted state
  - 1. Next steps state needs drawing to come up with concept plan, state would then propose solution then present to BOS and Concom (also look at sending letters to neighbors after concept drawing)
  - 2. Could look mat doing a mailing next spring

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- 9. Shawn assigned to town hall can meet with Pat to go over new web site
- 10. Mike and Jim mapped and flagged trail at town farm.
  - 1. Next steps Mike will draft RDA to present to concom, and Karen will present to BOS to get final approval
  - 2. How will people know where trail starts and ends? Possible add some signage
- 11. How do we get more signage at Amphitheater and Idylbrook
  - 1. Susy is point person for signs. 50K budget only got 20K. None budgeted for Open Space, possibly some in the fall
  - 2. Would like Kiosk at Idylbrook and possibly smaller position signs along the way
  - 3. Trail markers could be as simple as 4x4 post
  - 4. should we use posts or signs to direct people to entrances / trails
  - 5. Mike mentioned that forestry suppliers has 100 small disc signs for \$100
  - 6. Do we want to add signs to town farm
- 12. No July meeting planned in July at this point, looking at the end of June
- 13. Suzanne Kennedy walked Pavlick property. Agreed it would allow better access to Wickett property
  - 1. Also another property on Winthrop approximately 10 acres
  - 2. Look at tax status for Wickett property, check with treasures office
- 14. Add executive session for next meeting
- 15. Tina to ask Fran to create maps of Pavlick and Swan properties
- 16. Bring laptop to next meeting to get access to maps
  - 1. Tina will get maps to everybody before next meeting
- 17. Pine Ridge property will be coming to us at some point
- 18. Susy looking at how good our open space / recreational plan is , probably not even 3 years old

At 9:26, Pat made a motion that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Mike. All voted in favor of this motion 5-0.

The next meeting of the Medway Open Space Committee will take place in late June, date and location TBD

Submitted by Paul Marble, Clerk, meeting minutes approved August 7<sup>th</sup> 2012