

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 Minutes on November 5, 2013

Medway Senior Center Oakland Circle

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

The Vice Chairman called the meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm.

Acceptance of Minutes October 3, 2013:

On a motion made by Jim Wickis and seconded by Paul Marble, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes from October 3, 2013 were accepted with revisions.

<u>Grant:</u>

Member Wickis will be working on a grant application for parks and trails. He attended a meeting with the State regarding the types of grants which are awarded. The deadline for submittal is February 2014. The grant is for \$50,000. It was suggested that the grant which was submitted in the past could be used as a template. The Committee felt it was important to include multi-use areas within the grant submittal. It was suggested to use access point off of Village Street. The grant could include walking, picnicking, fishing, and canoeing. Another suggestion was to include the big connector trail at Briggs. Another suggestion was to finish the Ampithearte. There was discussion about the river map could be worked into the grant. There was a river highlight shown and created by Pat from the last meeting. We could do an intertown collaboration.

Sidewalk Village Street:

Member Francis shared color renderings of the sidewalk. It was suggested that this be contracted out due to the slope. This may need to be engineered. The committee does not want this to be wood.



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The Chairman Tina will get the old grant application from Consultant Carlucci.

Maintenance Plan:

Member Marble will go to the Board of Selectmen to discuss the maintenance plan of the Open Space areas. The goal is to have the town put this as a budget item within the DPS budget.

There was discussion also about the DPS making the kiosks for the various open space areas.

Amphitheatre project:

The Committee was pleased that the DPS completed the work on the parking lot at the Amphitheatre. There is no handicap sign but there are a total of three spaces. Fred Sibley indicated that noted he would like to can expand to four spaces. The next task would be to install the split rail. The grass seed was planted.

The Committee discussed that a sign for handicap cannot be installed since it does not comply with the standards. The trail is not ABA compliant but the lower part of the trail could be could included in the grant as being ABA compliant.

Public Announcement about Amphitheatre:

The Committee discussed completing a hand out at town meeting which would show the open space parcels. This could include maps and directions.

Member Marble and McHallam will meet with IT staff to get maps and links on website.

Member Wickis and McHallam will are creating something for town meeting.

Open Space and Trails Update pamphlet: List of trails maps:

- Choate
- Idylbrook
- Ampitheatre
- Things to come wound include: canoe launch, Brigg trails and farm trail.



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Maintenance Items:

Member Marble wanted to go schedule a time for maintenance at Idlybrook. There needs to be some trimming back of branches. This work could be done in an 1 ½ hours. There are also some briers which need to be removed. An email will be circulated to set up a date and time.

Member Francis was not able to attend the Parks and Recreation meeting due to illness, but will try to attend the next meeting.

Some of the Committee members would like to attend the next CPC meeting.

Tasks to Complete:

- Get on Board of Selectmen agenda to present maintenance plans.
- CPC funding for \$2,300.00.
- Maintenance Plan for open space area provide to DPW Director

<u>Adjourn:</u>

On a motion made by Paul Marble and seconded by Jim Wickis, the Committee voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Sutherland