

**April 2, 2013
Open Space Committee
Medway Senior Center
Oakland St.
Medway, MA 02053**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 7:00 pm at the Medway Senior Center.

Comments from the Public:

There were no comments from the public.

Review of the minutes:

On a motion made by Jim Wickis and seconded by Paul Marble, the Open Space Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes from January 2, 2013 with the noted revisions.

Clean-Up Day:

The Clean-Up Day is scheduled for April 27, 2013.

Update on status of Amphitheatre Property Plan:

There continues to be more improvement with cutback cuttings at the Amphitheater Property.

Paul and Pat will build a footbridge at Amphitheater.

There could be a combined kiosk and picnic table.

The Committee discussed that the kiosk (logo). The size will be downsized. The design will be approved by all open space properties in town. This design is being revised and the Design Review Committee will issue a letter with approval. Hopefully this could be approved by next month. The kiosks will be big enough for the designated spots at Idylbrook.

The canoe launch kiosk is premature at this point. We would need to show other landing.

The footbridge and trail is another idea for the eagle project. This is the last key point.

Parking Area:

Paul will follow-up with Fred tomorrow. There was discussion about how do we introduce this in a public type of way. We need to let the public know that this is available. It was suggested that this could be done through literature at town meeting. Another suggestion was to put up a picture for the website and place an article in the local paper.

Jim would like to develop a trail map and guide and print. This will provide a description of what would be seen when they walk around. There could be a holder at the sign. It was suggested that this could be also left at the library.

The seniors are starting a walking trail group. It would be great to include our paths. It was recommended that someone call friends of the elders and let them know about out trails.

Canoe Launch RDA:

The Committee was informed that the original order of conditions need to be registered. Glen will follow-up with Bruce.

The Chairman thinks that the order needs to be redone since it notes the Town of Westwood.

Once the work on this is completed, there will need to be a certificate of compliance prepared.

Bruce will contact the State and let them know about the Order of Consitions. The project will then need to go out to bid.

Community Farm Trail:

The Committee discussed having some work days at the community farm trail. The Committee viewed some disks which will be used for markings. The Committee further discussed purchasing 50 disks for \$100.00. These are made of aluminuim. This is an easy marking project. Mike will follow-up on how the design is progressing.

Park Survey Results:

Mike communicated that there will be a draft with maintenance plan for park. This will include short term goals. This will be completed by the end of the month. There will also be a finalized report. A presentation will be provided. There were some preliminary results of the survey. This is still on the website. Tom noted that this will assist with the FY2014 budget.

The Committee reviewed the survey information. The Committee wants to see the demographic data.

The Committee communicated that the Wicket Property would be great for bicycle trails.

Bruce noted that one thing he noted missing from survey were handicap facilities.

Mike will let the members know when the presentation will take place.

The Committee is in receipt of an email from Pat relative to having a fishing derby for the 300th Committee. The Committee thinks this is a good idea and go ahead with it.

Railtrail Meeting in Milford:

Paul attended a railtrail meeting in Milford. It was very informative. He communicated that we have a regional coordinator for trails in the Metrowest. Paul will get his name. He has a list and map of all trails biking, walking, in MA. There was a packet presented on the trails throughout Massachusetts. Paul will send to all. Milford trail.org.

Bruce provided a map with the open space parcels through town.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting date is May 7, 2013 at 7:00 pm at the Senior Center, 76 Oakland Street.

Adjourn:

On a motion made by Paul Marble and Pat McMallam, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Sutherland
Recording Secretary