

### Town Of Medway Open Space Committee 155 Village Street

Medway, Massachusetts 02053

# Meeting Minutes Tuesday, March 3, 2015

#### Medway Senior Center 76 Oakland Circle

Attendance	Tina	Jim	Paul	Pat	Mike	Bruce	Charlie
	Wright	Wickis	Marble	McHallam	Francis	Hamblin	Ross
Present		Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
Absent with							
notice							
Absent without							
notice							

The Vice Chairman opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

### Village Street:

There is no update on Village Street.

### **Conway Project:**

There will be a multi-committee meeting set up to discuss the scope of the Conway Project. The Chairman will provide further input at the next meeting.

### **Canoe Launch:**

Member Marble will follow-up with the Conservation Agent about the tree which is in the river. The Conservation Agent was also going to provide guidance about the small clearing which will need to take place.

### **Amphitheater:**

The Amphitheater currently has a kiosk at the site along with some literature. It was suggested to include an animal track flier as part of the literature at the kiosks. Member Wickis spoke with Fred Sibley about the invasive plants and which ones will need to be removed. Member Wickis presented the Committee with a memo of his findings. The invasive plants noted were Black Locust and Norway Maple. These are no longer a priority.



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## Sign Update:

There were six more kiosks ordered. There has been a slight increase in the cost. This was noted in the new agreement. There is enough money in the account to cover the increase.

### Wickett Property:

The Open Space Committee was made aware that there are two warrant articles for town meeting regarding the Wickett property. The residents concerned about this parcel of land attended the CPC meeting.

### Medway Clean Up:

The Medway Clean Sweep will be Saturday, April 11, 2015 from 8:00 till 11:00. The focus will be on Adams Street. Member Marble and Wickis will complete a list of work tasks for that day. Member Marble will follow-up with Allison in the Town Administrators office. Hopefully we can get the assistance from some of the high school students.

### Website:

Member Ross provided a memo regarding updating the website. He spoke with the IT representative Richard Boucher about the website. The regular updating of the website in relation to the agenda and minutes is done by the recording secretary. The Open Space Committee would like to expand the presence of the website by adding photographs and maps. Member McHallam has been adding the maps. Member Ross asks the members to provide him with photographs and he will upload those to the town website. The Committee also discussed posting photos on Facebook which would also have a link to the Open Space page and also could go out as a news feed. It was suggested to have a dedicated page. There were 1349 members of the Medway group. The Committee was in support of setting up a "Friends of Open Space" page. There will need to be an administrator of the website. Member Ross volunteered to take on this role. The Committee would like this to be set up as an open and not a closed page for viewing. There was also discussion about having a separate page to have archives of photo albums.

#### MAPS:

The Committee discussed that the current maps at the kiosk sites will need to be laminated due to ink bleeding. Member McHallam will follow-up with Fran about the making the 11 x 17 trail maps.



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## Salmon Health Adult Retirement Community:

Members of the Open Space Committee attended the informal meeting about the Salmon Health Adult Retirement Community. The applicant is in support of having trails which the public can use. The Open Space Committee would like to attend any meetings regarding the trails. The Planning and Economic Development Board posts their meeting on the website, so members will be sure to keep up to date on the meetings regarding this project. The applicant is agreeable to having a canoe and fishing launch along with the placement of educational literature. There was a suggestion that when any decision is written, there would need to be language regarding a deed restriction to allow for public access.

#### ATV Use on Open Space Parcels:

Member Marble will follow up with Police Chief Tingsley regarding this item.

#### <u>Upper Charles & Betania II:</u>

Member Marble explained that he spoke with Jim Wieler and representatives from Betania II. They were agreement about being put on the map but it must indicate private property. Their big concern is that dogs must be on leashes since their land is mostly used by residents for retreats. The language of the enforcement would need to be worked out. Member Marble will follow-up with the Town Administrator about an agreement.

#### Minutes:

On a motion made by Bruce Hamblin and seconded by Charlie Ross, the Committee voted unanimously to accept the minutes from February 3, 2015 with revisions.

### Adjourn:

On a motion made by Bruce Hamblin and seconded by Charlie Ross, the Committee voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Sutherland

Approved April 7, 2015