



Town of Sturbridge
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Public Lands Advisory Committee (PLAC)

Minutes of Sept 23, 2010, Meeting

Member in attendance: Dick LaFranchise (Chairman), Dave Barnicle (ConComm),
Randy Redetzke (Trails Comm), Randy Ellithorpe (Open Space Comm),
Tom Creamer (BOS), Don Miller (Secretary)

Note: R. Redetzke arrived at 7:12 pm

Members Absent: Dale Favreau (Vice Chairman)

Guest Attending: None

1. Meeting called to order by D. LaFranchise, Chairman, at 6:45 PM
2. Quorum check by D. LaFranchise
Five members present = quorum.
3. Approval of minutes of Aug 26, 2010, meeting
Motion to approve made and seconded.
Vote: 5 in favor (unanimous) Approved

Old Business:

1. PLAC membership

>>Action item: T. Creamer will request the BOS to approve an amended membership list that excludes individual names and instead is defined as follows:

One member from BOS	One member from Conservation Commission
One member from Trails Committee	One member from Open Space Committee
Three members - residents at large.	

2. After a discussion about what issues and events PLAC should be involved in accordance with its mission statement, which can be interpreted either broadly or narrowly, it was decided to take at this time a conservative, selective approach rather than a broad approach. This may change as PLAC gains experience and credibility.
3. Clarification to PLAC mission statement section 4.

>> Action item: T. Creamer will write a clarification to section 4 of the mission statement: "Establish a priority development list for parcels owned by the town of Sturbridge". The clarification will make the meaning of this section more specific.

4. Letter to abutters

Per D. Barnicle this is in process, the letter to be sent to abutters in near future.
The Conservation Agent will contact local newspapers to have them include in their publications notice of the prohibition of motorized vehicles on public lands.

>> Action item: D. Miller to provide D. Barnicle with names and addresses of residents on Leadmine Rd, Leadmine Ln, Stallion Hill Rd, and Shattuck Rd.

5. Boundary marking of Leadmine Mt, CRC/OSV, Parcel 127A

To be done in late Fall, early Winter.

Note: Provides an opportunity for PLAC to obtain some publicity by including boundary marking in local newspapers.

6. Inventory and maintain a list of town owned lands per PLAC mission statement

The planned meeting to organize the information that R. LaFranchise and D. Favreau have has not yet taken place. This is the first step of the process to establish the inventory of town owned lands.

>> Action item: D. LaFranchise, D. Favreau and D. Miller to hold this meeting.

7. File cabinet and storage space

The Town Administrator has informed D. Miller that a file cabinet is available and that it could be located in the room in the town hall where the copier is.

>> Action item: D. Miller to follow up with TA before October PLAC meeting.

8. Include PLAC on town web site

The Town Administrator has informed D. Miller that he will take care of including PLAC information on the Sturbridge web site.

A discussion was held to decide the PLAC information to be included on the Town web site.

>Motion made and unanimously approved to include:

PLAC mission statement

Names of PLAC members

E-mail address of PLAC members who agree to have their e-mail addresses included

PLAC meeting schedule, meeting room.

>> Action item: D. Miller to provide PLAC web site information to TA

New Business:

1. Signage

>> Action item: D. Barnicle to request signs prohibiting motorized vehicles from Div of Fish and Wildlife

>> Action item: D. LaFranchise to give all signs in his position to R. Redetzke to store in Trails Comm shed.

Meeting Adjourned: Motion made and unanimously approved to adjourn meeting at 8:35 pm.

List of documents used at this meeting:

1. Sept 23, 2010, PLAC meeting agenda
2. Draft minutes of Aug 26, 2010, PLAC meeting
3. PLAC meeting attendance record
4. PLAC mission statement

Next meeting: October, 28, 2010, 6:30 pm, room T206 in Town hall

D. Miller, Secretary