



Pembroke Conservation Commission Minutes of the Meeting of May 8, 2017 Pembroke Town Hall, Veterans' Hall

Disclosure: These minutes are not verbatim – they are the administrative agent's interpretation of what took place at the meeting.

All materials presented during this meeting are available in the Pembroke Conservation Commission office.

Open Meeting Law, G.L c. 30A § 22.

Agenda – May include topics not reasonably anticipated by the chairman at time of posting of the meeting.

Open Meeting Law, G.L c. 30A § 20.

Members present:

Andrew Stevenson, Chairman; Richard Madden, Vice Chairman; Robert

Clarke, Agent; Arthur Egerton, Member; Scott Glauben, Member

Staff present:

Rachel Keller, Administrative Agent

At 7:30PM, Mr. Andrew Stevenson, Chairman, opened the meeting, named all members and staff in attendance and stated that the proceedings would be made available to the public through video or audio broadcast on the PACTV Government Access Channel for broadcast at future dates and that all comments would be recorded.

ONGOING BUSINESS

Bicentennial Trail

Mr. Madden informed the members that he has been trying to seek volunteers to assist with the cleanup of Bicentennial Trail.

Wild Parsnip

Mr. Madden reviewed his plan for testing ammonia and nitrate on the wild parsnip plants he will remove from Herring Run. He asked the administrative agent to send a formal "thank you" letter to Mr. John Engwer for his offer to eradicate the wild parsnip free of charge.

A motion was made by Mr. Clarke and seconded by Mr. Egerton to direct the administrative agent to draft and send a "thank you" letter to Mr. Engwer. All in favor. Motion passed.

Mattakeesett Street baseball fields

Project is on hold until trees are replenished at the nurseries Mr. Madden has been in touch with. Plans to be able to continue planting next year.

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Chimney at Herring Run Park

Mr. Madden stated that he prefers the look of a stone, rather than metal, chimney. He and Mr. Egerton will solicit quotes from three masons for the design and installation of a stone chimney.

DISCUSSIONS

Wildlands Trust trail mapping proposal

Mr. Clarke explained to the members that the commission and Ryan Krapp of Wildlands Trust have been working on trying to develop some workable trail maps for the town. The proposal submitted by Mr. Krapp includes mapping services for Tubb's Meadow, Shepherd's Memorial, Veteran's Commemorative Town Forest, Misty Meadow, Hobomock Trail and Pembroke High School trail. The members reviewed the sample maps sent by Mr. Krapp and agreed that the project would be worthwhile. The members also agreed that Bicentennial Trail should be included in the proposal.

A motion was made by Mr. Clarke and seconded by Mr. Glauben to engage in an agreement with Wildlands Trust to produce the trail maps as outlined in the contract sent by Mr. Krapp, with funding not to exceed \$2,500.00. All in favor. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Clarke and seconded by Mr. Glauben to construct and install an information kiosk at the intersection of Cedar Brook and Herring Brook. All in favor. Motion passed.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

Mail

Mr. Clarke informed the members that the Massachusetts Department of Transportation sent a letter regarding easements on land on route 53 where the traffic lights project will begin at the intersection of Pleasant Street and Route 53.

A motion was made by Mr. Clarke and seconded by Mr. Glauben to direct the administrative agent to draft and send a letter to the MA DOT authorizing the use of the piece of land at the intersection during construction. All in favor. Motion passed.

Minutes of the Meeting

A motion was made by Mr. Egerton and seconded by Mr. Madden to accept and approve the minutes of the April 24, 2017 meeting. Mr. Stevenson and Mr. Glauben abstained from voting due to absence at the April 24 meeting. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Egerton and seconded by Mr. Glauben to accept and approve the minutes of the May 1, 2017 meeting. All in favor. Motion passed.

At 7:55PM, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Glauben and seconded by Mr. Madden. All in favor. Motion passed.

Materials and Exhibits

Payment voucher for recording fee to Plymouth Registry of Deeds Trail mapping proposal from Wildlands Trust Draft minutes of the April 24, 2017 and May 1, 2017 meeting

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