

Town of Barnstable
Land Acquisition Preservation Committee

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Committee Members

Kris Clark – Chair Phyllis Miller – Vice Chair
Elissa Crowley Duncan Gibson Steve Gould Thomas Lee Farley Lewis Thomas Mullen Anne Rowland
Jessica Rapp Grasseti – Town Council Liaison

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MINUTES

September 14, 2015

5:30 PM

Selectman’s Conference Room – 367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA

Kris Clark - Chair	Present
Phyllis Miller – Vice Chair	Present
Elissa Crowley	Absent
Duncan Gibson	Absent
Steve Gould	Present
Thomas Mullen	Absent
Tom Lee	Present
Farley Lewis	Present
Anne Rowland	Absent

Also present were Jaci Barton and Casey Danhauser from Barnstable Land Trust, Jessica Rapp Grasseti - Town Council President, Ann Canedy – Town Council Vice-President, and Carol Puckett – Administrative Assistant.

Call to Order

As a quorum has been met, Kris Clark calls the meeting to order at 5:40 pm

Kris reads the following with no response:

Notice of Recording

Please note that this meeting is recorded and broadcast on Channel 18 an in accordance with MGL Chapter 30A §20. I must inquire whether anyone is taping this meeting and to please make their presence known.

Guest

Jaci Barton – Executive Director of the Barnstable Land Trust regarding proposed conservation restriction: 71 Harju Road, Centerville, MA from the Town of Barnstable to The Barnstable Land Trust

Kris introduces Jaci Barton and Casey Danhauser from Barnstable Land Trust (BLT) who are here to give a presentation on the Harju property. Jaci states that this property has been on BLT's wish list for awhile and regards it an important 1 acre parcel. She states that the town approved the acquisition of the lot one year ago. However, the conservation restriction (CR) has been outstanding. Casey Danhauser states that the reason this is an important one-acre parcel in the Town of Barnstable is because it is in a zone of contribution to the water supply. She states that this parcel is also surrounded by town conservation with trails which are used by the public. She has provided the members with a copy of the prohibited uses and preserved rights (**EXHIBIT A**) and points it out on a small map. She asks for this committee’s recommendation to Town Council for their approval. Kris asks what the pink area on

the map denotes. Jaci states it is the COMM well field. Jaci states that in the 80's, when proposed for development, the town was able to purchase some of the land but not all of it. Jaci clarifies that this parcel already has trails and has access via a dirt road blocked off by rocks. Jessica Rapp Grassetti states that an RFP has gone out to put asphalt in the parking area. Kris clarifies that the paving of the parking area is per the Conservation Commission. Tom Lee asks if they need CPC funding. Jaci states no as this is the last stop for this area.

Motion is made by Tom Lee and seconded by Steve Gould to recommend to Town Council, the acceptance of the conservation restriction for this property.

Vote:
All in favor

Jaci states that BLT would be willing to help create conservation restrictions in the future in order to assist and expedite this process.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from LAP meeting of August 10, 2015

Motion is made by Phyllis Miller and seconded by Tom Lee to accept the minutes as submitted.

Vote:
All in favor

Updates

▪ Santuit Preserve: Phyllis Miller

Phyllis Miler states that Charlie Genatassio has been on vacation but is confident that the trails will be cleared before the fall walking weekend. Phyllis also states that she noted an article (EXHIBIT B) in the Falmouth newspaper, from which she reads, regarding the weed overgrowth at the Santuit Pond. She states that according to the article, Drew McManus – Conservation Agent from Mashpee's Conservation Commission has applied for a grant for \$2500 from the Barnstable County Land Management Grant Program and expects the funding to come through this month.

Phyllis Miller states that the walk scheduled for the fall walking weekend at the preserve will take approximately one hour to traverse. Kris asks Farley to design something in order to submit to the town for placement near the beginning of the trails which should include: Town of Barnstable, the trails logo and put word "here". Kris suggests perhaps applying again for the tourism grant with the Chamber of Commerce in order to get signs to advertise the walk at each trail. They discuss signage for the trails. Farley to send information to Ann Canedy for her newsletter.

Staff reads summary of the walks and gives direction as to where on the website it is advertised

Farley reports that DPW Director, Dan Santos, will have someone from AmeriCorp to carry on Sawyer Cresap's work which was to determine ownership and maintenance of trails.

▪ Community Preservation Committee: Tom Lee

Tom Lee reports that the CPC meeting was short but that three matters were addressed:

- Funding (\$7400) for work at the South Congregational Church in Centerville for the historical restoration of stones and markers at their cemetery
- Proposed work at JFK museum which is currently under review at the town attorney's office
- Request by the Town Clerk for \$30,000 in order to preserve historical records which they approved.

Tom Lee reports that they also discussed an open space purchase at 230 Old Colony Road for \$9500 regarding access/restoration

▪ Town Council Liaison: Councilor Jessica Rapp Grassetti

Jessica states that she has nothing new to report

Old Business

▪ Preservation of Breed's Hill property

Kris says it was requested back in 2012 and that no action has been taken since. Jessica Rapp Grassetto reports that it is slated for the Town Council meeting of October 1st but will ask for it to be continued in order to obtain more information. They will be looking forward to a public hearing regarding an appropriation of \$35,000 for monitoring wells for the old shooting range property. Once that appropriation is accepted, she expects a quick turn around. Also, once that information is given, she expects to continue the land swap item to late November or December but wants the council to have as much information as possible. She states that the wells will be up to depths of 150 feet and will have core sampling as well as water sampling done. Ann Canedy is looking to this committee to push for the CR on this property should it not become part of the land swap parcels.

▪ Open Space and Recreation Plan (effective until June, 2017)

Kris will talk to the Director of Growth Management about strategy. She is hoping to start a citizen survey earlier with hopes of greater input. Kris explains that GMD has the job of heading this.

New Business

▪ 2016 Meeting Schedule

The members are in agreement regarding the tentative meeting dates for 2016. Staff to book the Selectman's Conference Room for 2016 accordingly.

▪ Town of Barnstable FY15 Annual Report – LAPC submission

Kris states that the submission is due September 21st, and will get a draft to the members.

Announcements

Correspondence

Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair

Public Comment

Adjournment

Motion is made by Steve Gould and seconded by Tom Lee to adjourn.

Vote:

All in favor