



LMAC (Land Management and Acquisitions Committee)

Members Present: Ted Asherman, Chair; Audrey Farber, David Gagnon; Chris Kittredge; and Fred Masciangelo

Liaisons Present: Jennifer Grimm, FLT Executive Director; Michael Vance, FLT President and Karen Jacobsen, Conservation Commission

Staff Present: Amanda Stearns, Open Space Manager

Councilors Present: Caleb Hemphill, Chair

Meeting Minutes Tuesday, February 13, 2018

1. **Call to Order** – With the Chair joining the meeting late, Dave Gagnon called the meeting to order at approximately 8:30.

NOTE: Ted joined the meeting at approximately 8:40

2. **Select a Chair** – Dave called for nominations. Audrey nominated Ted. With no other nominations offered Dave closed the nominations. Ted Asherman was voted as chair 5-0.
3. **Approval of Minutes** –With a motion by Audrey and a second by Chris, the minutes of January 9, 2018 were approved as submitted.
4. **Adam Property** – Amanda stated that there were resource maps and a scoring sheet included in the packet. Chris gave an overview of the maps that he had generated. Caleb added that there had been no official discussion by the Council regarding the acquisition of this parcel since the grant was denied. Ted reminded the committee that the purpose of the discussion today was not to score the property but to determine if a site visit was necessary. With several members expressing an interest in a site visit, it was decided that one would be held. Amanda will email the committee with a couple dates. It was generally agreed that a Friday at 1:00 pm would be a good time. Members were asked to bring their score sheets to the March meeting.
5. **NEMBA Trail Grant** – Amanda noted that the email from NEMBA was in the packet and is offering an opportunity for one regional grant in the amount of \$10,000. Caleb mentioned that Cape Elizabeth has already approached Greater Portland NEMBA about a project. Multiple projects could be submitted from one chapter. The committee agreed that there was not a specific identifiable project at this time.

6. **FCC Work Plan** – Amanda asked if the committee had been involved in past years in the work plan development. Ted responded that it was usually done by the core working group (Dave, Ted, Caleb and Bob) After much discussion, the committee agreed that the work plan should be developed with the insight of the core work group as it has occurred in past years. The work plan will be shared with the committee. Committee members are encouraged to get involved if they like. Suggestions were made with regard to increasing active participation. Trust liaisons noted that while the FCC was a Town based volunteer group, their volunteer list overlaps a great deal.
7. **Open Space Manager Report**
 - a. Nature Preserve – This is in the hands of the Town Manager. It is anticipated that a contribution will be made and the Town will demarcate the boundary. In addition, Jenny and Amanda will pursue the development of a neighborhood access to the Orange Trail.
 - b. Unsecured Trails – This is still in progress.
 - c. Suckfish II – The project due diligence is almost complete with the signing of the conservation easement imminent.
 - d. GoF 2.0 update- The committee is continuing working on action steps for the established draft goals. One item of specific interest to LMAC is the discussion of whether a rubric should be developed for acquisition of open space and whether or not it should be further divided for the rural and growth areas. This item will be placed on the March agenda. Amada will forward the committee the minutes of the last couple LPAC meetings.
8. **Paul Larrivee, Town Forester** – Due to a delay on another job, Paul is rescheduled for the March meeting.
9. **Winter Grooming (Chris Carleton and Erik Mushial)** – Amanda mentioned that with the weather not cooperating, the sample grooming at Hadlock had not taken place. It is hopeful that with the next significant snow event grooming will take plan. It was also noted that Chris and Erik offered to attend our meeting at some time to meet LMAC and have a general discussion. The committee would like to extend an invitation for a future meeting.
10. **Other business** – The next meeting is March 13, 2018.
11. **Adjourn** – The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:15.

NOTE: A thank you to Chris for bringing blueberry muffins!! Ted offered to bring the snack next time!

Submitted by Amanda L. Stearns
Open Space Manager
February 14, 2018