



LMAC  
(Land Management and Acquisitions Committee)

**Meeting Notes**  
Tuesday, November 13, 2018

<b><u>Members Present:</u></b>	John Adelman, Chair; Fred Farber; David Gagnon; Chris Kittredge
<b><u>Members Absent:</u></b>	Casey Webster
<b><u>Ex-officio:</u></b>	Jennifer Grimm, FLT Executive Director
<b><u>Liaisons:</u></b>	Michael Vance, FLT President; Caleb Hemphill, Town Councilor and Karen Jacobsen, Conservation Commission
<b><u>Council Liaison:</u></b>	Ted Asherman, Town Council
<b><u>Staff:</u></b>	Amanda Stearns, Open Space Manager and Lucky D'Ascanio, Parks and Community Programs Director
<b><u>Others Present:</u></b>	Sami Wolf, FLT Stewardship Coordinator

1. Call to Order - John called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.
2. Approval of Minutes - With a motion by John and a second by Fred, the minutes of September 11, 2018 were approved with one correction to adjust the acreage description of the Hincks property to over 50 acres.
3. Executive Session - (1 M.R.S. 405 6.C) With a motion by Fred and a second by Chris, it was voted to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing possible land donations and acquisitions.

With a motion by Chris and a second by John it was voted to come out of executive session.

With a motion by Fred and a second by Chris the committee voted to recommend to the Town Council to support funding in the amount of \$25,000 for the purpose of establishing an endowment for stewardship and infrastructure improvements for access for a 28+ acre property located on Blackstrap Road. Vote was 3 ayes with a recusal by John Adelman due to his position on the Trust board.

With a motion by Chris and a second by John it was voted to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing the possible acquisition of real estate.

With a motion by John and a second by Fred, the committee came out of executive session. No decisions were made.

4. Other business - Amanda addressed the committee with a request from Marty Bruno regarding the use of a portion of the Cross Falmouth Trail on the "Pyle" property by snowmobiles. This

would be in addition to permission from a private landowner to gain access from Winn Road westerly to the CMP power line.

After much discussion the committee consensus was they would continue the discussion at a future meeting once the following information was received from the SnoVoyagers.

- a. Some documentation that this request is coming from the SnoVoyagers Club.
  - b. Specifics on how the existing trail bed and bog bridges would be improved and maintained in the future for multi-use.
  - c. Financial resources the club will use to do the work.
5. Trail Management and Improvement Plan concept – the committee was updated on the trail fundraiser that was discussed at the September meeting. The event was very well received, and Lucky reported that over \$50,000 was received by her office. Amanda and Lucky described the necessity for the development of a comprehensive plan for trail maintenance and development. Current property plans address trails in a very general manner. Amanda suggested that with the creation of the fund it is suggested that this task be prioritized over some of the others listed in the 2018 goals. It was noted that the Council would be formally establishing the trail fund at Wednesday's Council meeting.
  5. Invasives Management Plan – Lucky announced that a staff group had developed, with the help of Bob Shafto as a consultant, a comprehensive invasives management and control plan which documents the current policies and practices of the town. The plan provides the foundation for the more detailed development of implementation over the coming years. The staff person named as manager is Kim Darling, Energy and Sustainability Coordinator.
  6. Volunteer Stewardship Program – not discussed
  7. Open Space Manager's Report – Lucky stated that all the bush-hogging on Open Space properties (River Point, McLean and Stillings Fields) had been completed by Parks staff.
  8. Adjourn – The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:30 am.

Next meetings will be

- December 11, 2018 at 8:30 am (Large Conference Room)
- January 18, 2019 **Friday** at the **Presumpscot Room** 9:00 -12:00 a workshop is scheduled to work on the Open Space Plan implementation matrix.