



LMAC
(Land Management and Acquisitions Committee)

Meeting Notes
Tuesday, February 12, 2019

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

1. Call to Order – John called the meeting to order at approximately 8:30 am
2. Approval of Minutes – January 8 and 18, 2019 – With a motion by Dave and a second by Fred the minutes of January 8 and 18, 2019 were approved as submitted.
3. Open Space Plan Implementation Strategy continued

Amanda noted the handouts that are the focus of today's discussion, being the first draft of a revised implementation strategy. At the January 18 workshop staff were directed to use the ranking and comments made to start consolidating, re ordering and wordsmithing the actions to provide a clearer message both for the committee and the public. It was noted that some action statements overlapped with others and some could be restated to clarify the actions needed. The draft is staff's first attempt to start massaging the language and the committee was asked to comment on all modifications.

Michael started with a comment about the number of surveys that might be required over the implementation period and if they were to be combined or separate. One concern is that we do not task the public with too many requests for input, using our communication opportunities effectively. The items raised were impact assessments, accessibility and outreach with user experiences.

After discussion it was agreed that the impact assessment was in internal exercise, intended to physically collect data about the properties and use that information to develop an appropriate management plan.

The length of time to implement the plan was discussed as five years, with the development of the Trail Management Plan (renamed) and the property management plans being the highest priority. These two projects alone will be time consumptive.

Coordination of various Plans – it was agreed that the Property Management Plans will be the base document and refer to the Trail Management Plan and the Invasives Management and Control Plan and not repeat information in those plans.

Impact Assessment – it was agreed that the impact assessment methodology was the first item to be tackled and that the elements included developing criteria, determining how to collect and store data and lastly how to incorporate a volunteer program into the work. The initial phase will be to have Lucky, Amanda and Fred work up a process and the committee as a whole will use the draft at its March 12 meeting as a field workshop to evaluate how the process will work.

4. Open Space Manager's Report – Amanda noted that progress was continuing on a few acquisitions and on the LMF closure for North Falmouth Community Forest.
5. Other business - none
6. Adjourn – The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:15.

Next Meeting: March 12, 2019 8:30 to convene at the Hadlock Road parking lot for Hadlock Community Forest.