



## LMAC (Land Management and Acquisitions Committee)

**Members Present:** John Adelman, Chair; Chris Kittredge, Vice Chair, Fred Farber; and David Gagnon  
**Ex-officio Present:** Jennifer Grimm, FLT Executive Director  
**Liaisons Present:** Michael Vance, FLT President, Karen Jacobsen, Conservation Commission  
**Council Liaison Present:** Ted Asherman  
**Volunteer Guest:** Caleb Hemphill  
**Staff Present:** Amanda Stearns, Open Space Manager

### Approved Meeting Notes Tuesday, October 20, 2020 – Via Zoom

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Approval of Minutes** – The minutes from September 15, 2020 were approved unanimously with a motion by Fred and a second by Chris. Chris noted that he should be listed as Vice Chair.
3. **Pine Grove Management** - Chris reviewed the revised map and pointed out the unofficial trails that he and Fred had located. The general consensus was that some of the trails should be discontinued and that decision was best made by when we get out in the field. The committee agreed that trails should be named and that the unofficial trail that serves as a continuance of the red trail should be improved and blazed. It was recognized that the school has spread out into the property to provide outdoor learning areas and that eventually it would be addressed. Until COVID is no longer an issue, the school will not be contacted. Amanda announced that the parking spot the school allowed the town to mark as ADA has been completed and a sign would be ordered and installed.

The Tidewater trail system and connection to Pine Grove will be discussed at a later meeting.

4. **Trail Management Plan** – trail designation policy – The committee unanimously voted to approve the recommended language be added to the Trail Management Plan, giving staff authority to approve the modification and location of trails, especially for the safety of users. This includes the ability to designate trails for certain user groups and to specify one-way traffic where warranted. It is understood that this will only occur when necessary and that the overarching goals are to strive to develop and maintain trails for multi-use.
5. **Schedule Field Day** - The committee will meet at 9:00 am on November 10 at Pine Grove Preserve to work on improving trails.
6. **Other business** – Staff were requested to review the Baker property off Allen Avenue which is for sale.
7. **Executive Session** – The committee voted unanimously, with a motion by John and a second by Chris to enter into executive session under 1 MRS §405 6.C for the purposes of discussing the proposal by a landowner for possible acquisition. With a motion by John and a

second by Chris the committee came out of executive session. It was a unanimous decision by the committee that the property would not be pursued for acquisition at this time. The committee considered the other priorities for land acquisition, the Council's recent action to postpone consideration of other acquisitions and the current status of the economy.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:20.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 9:00 am.