

Land Management & Acquisition Committee Minutes
16 June 2015 Meeting #21
Mason-Motz Activity Center

Present: Ted Asherman, Dave Gagnon, Bob Shafto, Analiese Larsen, Ed Braley, Claudia King,
Fred Mascioangelo, Lucky D'Ascanio.

Absent: Aaron Svedlow. Guests: Caleb Hemphill.

Item #1: March 10th Minutes

On a motion by Dave and a 2nd from Ed, the May minutes were unanimously adopted.

Item #2: Executive Session

Fred moved and Dave seconded a motion to go into executive session under MRSA1, Section 4056C to discuss pending land acquisition opportunities. Approved unanimously.

Item #3: Hadlock Lot

The committee agreed that the Hadlock roadfront lot should be sold if and when the proceeds from the sale could be put toward another open space land acquisition. Lucky will talk with Nathan regarding his thoughts on this option.

Item #4: LMF Grant

The committee recommends that the No. Falmouth acquisition project be brought to the Council at their July 13th meeting. We should know by that time whether or not the LMF grant funds will be forthcoming. Two possible actions are recommended.:

1. If LMF funds are forthcoming, we should close as soon as practicable in deference to the needs of the sellers and the requirements of the US Forest Service grant, and wait for LMF reimbursement some months afterwards.
2. If LMF funds are not forthcoming, the town should appropriate the ±\$230,000 needed to complete the transactions, perhaps using the proceeds from the sale of the Hadlock lot.

Item #5: Hardy Road Conservation Area Trail

The committee supports construction of a trail that would connect existing Hardy Road trails to the newly acquired Grove Fokel Baek property. Bob will submit the required application to the Planning Department.

Item #6: Hurricane Valley Farm Operations Committee

At the request of the Council, LMAC recommends the appointment of Dave Gagnon as the town's representative to this committee.

Item #5: Updates

- Our \$80,000 L&WCF grant has been declined and our purchase option on the designated parcel withdrawn.
- Plans are in the works to construct a hand carry boat launch to the East Branch from Falmouth Road.
- Bids are in the process of being accepted for construction of an enhanced accessibility trail in Woods Road Community Forest.
- Falmouth trails have been recognized by *Downeast Magazine* as the "Best of the Best."

Meeting adjourned at 10:05. **Next Scheduled Meeting on August 11th.**