

LAND USE COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

June 13, 2017, Mendon Town Hall, Floor 2

Members Present: Sharon Cutler, Anne Mazar, Peter Coffin, Barry Iadarola **Guests:** Kevin Rudden, Bill McHenry, Pieter de Jong

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by Chairman Anne Mazar.

Volunteer Trail Stewards: Anne explained that there is still one acre of pond at Meadowbrook Woods of water chestnuts that cannot be hand pulled or machine pulled and will require chemical treatment. Anne has been communicating with Con Com as the need has progressed. The cost will be absorbed entirely by Trustees of Reservations. Pieter explained that manual labor, if needed, may be available from the Blackstone Heritage Corridor Group.

Kevin Rudden updated the Committee on the cabin project in Meadow Brook Woods. Boy Scout plans for the cabin include staining, insulating inside, wood sheeting on inside. Roof is leaking and a roofer has offered to do flashing. Luke Balocca, scout, his Dad will be fixing the roof. Another boy in the troop wants to build shelving in the cabin.

Thanks to Pieter's advice on the MVP Grant, Mendon applied and was awarded \$15K to help with preparedness for climate change actions for the Town. Per Pieter, he may be able to get Meadow Brook Uplands boundary signs for the trail clearing.

Both of the properties, 15 Inman Hill Road and 182 Blackstone St. are not needed to support the Land Use 5 year goals for the Town. **Motion: Peter moved that the Committee recommend the sale of the properties to the BOS. Sharon seconded the motion and it passed with the unanimous approval of the Committee.**

The members felt that 8A Kim's Way, a 2 acre parcel without any road frontage that is currently under 61B would not be a problem to recommend to the BOS that they waive the right of first refusal. This property abuts the property of the person who wants to buy it.

TTOR has a dog policy, leash law, for their property and will be placing a sign to this effect where the Meadow Brook Woods property abuts theirs.

The Mass Save Community initiative is moving along well. Townspeople are benefitting from the home inspections.

Discussion took place on the naming of the George Street conservation area. **Motion: Peter moved that we name the area the "Gaskill Meadow Conservation Area".** The

motion was seconded by Sharon and passed with the unanimous approval of the Committee.

Discussions are ongoing between Tim Aicardi and Anne on the 18 & 25 Pleasant St. Currently the land is being surveyed.

Minutes from the 03/01/17 meeting were reviewed. **Motion: Peter moved that the minutes from the 3/1/17 meeting be approved as written. Sharon seconded the motion, Barry abstained and it passed with the majority approval of the Committee.**

Motion: Barry moved that the meeting be adjourned; the motion was seconded by Sharon and passed with unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM

Submitted by Sharon Cutler, Secretary