

Meeting Minutes July 28, 2021

PRESENT Todd Hathaway, Dan McCombs, Liz Wilson, Ben Bade, Scott Pim, Barbara

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ABSENT Sandy Goodspeed

GUESTS Joseph Trombley, See below

ORDER 7:02 P.M.

PERMITS

Shirking Road — Paige Libbey, Jones & Beach: Ms. Libbey presented a site plan for the Little Debbie Warehouse proposed project. They are proposing to subdivide the present lot to two lots, and develop the warehouse on one of the lots. They will need to cross a wetland and buffer to access the upland area. There would also be some buffer impacts for grading, and to put in a proposed well. The only impervious surfaces would be at the crossing. In total, there would be 3500 sq. feet of temporary impacts, 2000 sq. feet of permanent impacts related to the driveway crossing, 1400 of permanent wetland disturbance. They have conditional Planning Board approval. They are crossing at the point where the wetland impacts are the lowest. The Members indicated a lack of objection given the attempts to minimize the impacts, relatively minor impact and minimal use of impervious surfaces within the wetlands area, and fact that the property would otherwise be inaccessible. Scott moved to write a letter indicating a lack of objection to the proposal as submitted. Todd seconded. The Members unanimously agreed.

PROPERTIES

<u>Hoar Pond</u>: The Members discussed the possibility of a trail plan, but as discussed at the last meeting, trails around the Pond are probably not a high priority at this time given the challenges related to wet areas around the pond, the availability of other nearby trails, and private landowners.



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<u>Mary Blair Park</u>: Todd reported that signs are almost finished. Set to be installed next week. Todd will coordinate with the sign maker and Michael Vose.

<u>Fox Run</u>: Todd reported that the picnic table has been ordered. Alphabet signs were discussed, Preston will install them, Sandy will get in touch. There is still some question as to which features the signs should be placed near.

Dimond Hill: No further update on additional signage.

Epping Crossing Mitigation Monitoring Plan: Nothing further to report

<u>Low Park</u>: The Members discussed asking if Vapotherm could provide volunteers for their workday on August 10 to weed wack. Ben will inquire but raised the question of whether we could provide an ECC volunteer to direct them.

George Falls Woods: Todd and Ben reported on their site visit and work in preparation of the site for the Vapotherm Workday Tuesday, August 10. Sandy has indicated that she would work with DPW on dealing with the parking area. There is significant tree cutting/moving that may be required. Ben will follow-up with Vapotherm about the work, number of volunteers provided. Todd, Ben, and other will try to be available on the 10th. There's some question about where the volunteers will be able to park depending how many vehicles they arrive in. There was some discussion about a kayak, cooler, and firepit but was ultimately determined to not be on town land.

Land Use Policies: Scott raised the issue of implementing land use properties for Townowned land. The Members discussed this issue generally. As it stands now, it appears that questions and requests about land use are handled by the Town Administrator and we have had little or no questions, inquiries, or problems with anyone from the Town about these issues. Enacting a policy would require reviewing each property's deed and researching various issues related to each type of land use, such as hunting, baiting, biking, horses, motorized vehicles, etc. The Members agreed that a formal policy, other than what is indicated by signage already, is not necessary at this time. Scott will speak to Greg Dodge to request that the conservation commission is notified and sent applications for bait permits that are granted to keep the commission aware of on what land and when baiting is being done.



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<u>ADMIN</u>

<u>Tech, Finance and Photo Contest</u>: Dan reported that there is \$60,280.28 combined in the LUCT and escrow accounts, and \$3,482.01 remaining in the Town budget. He also reported that the library set up a display of all past winners along with a sign about this year's contest and how to enter. We discussed including a mention of a possible additional prize for the contest winner in our announcements. We will solicit local donations for prizes. Dan moved to approve up to \$100 for photo contests prizes if donations cannot be solicited. Scott seconded and the Members unanimously approved.

Outreach – Barbara Willis: Barbara resent out her questionnaire for Member bios.

<u>Route 125 Improvement Project – Liz</u>: Nothing new to report.

FUTURE ITEMS

Beard Sand Pit: Nothing new to report.

<u>Fox Run Intern Project precast concrete weir – Scott</u>: Nothing new to report.

<u>ADJOURN</u>: On motion from Todd, seconded by Scott, the Members unanimously agreed to adjourn at 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Todd Hathaway

Todd Hathaway, Secretary