

MEETING MINUTES – DRAFT

Date: Sept. 4, 2019

Time: 6:05pm to 8:00pm

Monthly meeting

Community Room Town Hall

Chair: Karen Massey (for Jay Waterman)

Notes taken by: Mary Thorp

Committee members 2018:

Town Council, Staff & Guests:

Karen Massey (2021)

Mary Webber (2021)-excused

Lisa Small (2019)- excused

Karyn MacNeill, YCS Director

Tim Shannon, Council Liaison

Erik Donohoe, Parks Specialist

Mary Thorp (2019)

Jay Waterman (2021)- excused

Richard Brimberg (2020)

Ebrahim Fazeli (2020)

* Call to Order, 6:05 pm

1.) Acceptance of August minutes postponed.

2.) Update on WST phase 2+

Erik explained that J Pratt Construction had completed their job (largely gravel placement, etc.) and come in @\$3,800 under budget. Dan Ostrye will continue leading groups to do trail work while looking forward to having boardwalks built. This will open up a huge connection between various trails in town.

3.) Open Space Plan task force update. Update led by Karen Massey and Ed Ashley

The Open Space Plan is shaping up and will be discussed at the upcoming planning board meeting on Wed. Sept. 18th. This will be followed by a public meeting on the 30th. Karen Massey will be proofing document with contractor. Wants the latest corrected draft ready for the 30th. One issue is mapping. Alan from RRCT has some inventory

mapping. Cartography available from community GPS and then a map of overlapping value can be constructed.

4.) Discussion on possible Alderbrook Lane easement termination

Proposal to terminate came from landowner (Alonzo) who is trying to sell a buildable lot on Alderbrook next to her property. However the current easement (which could allow for some parking) has discouraged the sale. Karyn read Nat Tupper's letter. Basically, Parks and Lands members discussed the value of keeping the easement versus trying to be fair to the landowner. Karen Massey felt that some type of exchange should occur if the town gave up the easement (possibly monetary or another piece of land). Richard then suggested shifting the parking spaces easement to the land that Alonzo would retain the spaces.

The Parks and Lands committee would like to explore the possibility of moving the spaces to Alonzo's property. If this makes sense to give up the easement, Parks and Lands thinks that there should be compensation to the town for giving up a public benefit for a private benefit.

Karen Massey drafts a statement. Mary T. moves to accept and Richard seconds. Statement passes unanimously.

5.) Planning Board relations/commentary submission discussion.

Ed Ashley reviewed the two forms. Namely, the subdivision application review form and the site plan review form. They are still being worked on, but the concept has the backing of the committee.

6.) Mary T. raised the possibility of moving the next meeting to Oct. 9th since both she, Eb, and Karen Massey will be away. Karyn MacNeill will check with other members not currently present to see if that is a possibility.

Richard motions to adjourn. Mary seconds. Motion passes.