

Yarmouth Parks & Lands Committee

MEETING MINUTES – DRAFT

Date: February 6, 2019

Time: 6:01 – 8:17 pm

Monthly meeting

Community Room Town Hall

Chair: Jay Waterman

Committee members:

Karen Massey (2018) Excused

Mary Webber (2021)

Lisa Small (2019)

Mary Thorp (2019) Excused

Jay Waterman (2021)

Richard Brimberg (2020) 6:35

Ebrahim Fazeli (2020) Absent

Notes taken by: Mary Webber

Town Council, Staff & Guests:

Karyn MacNeill, YCS Director

Erik Donohoe, Parks Specialist

Alan Stearns, RRCT Exec. Dir.

Josh Royte, Open Space Task Force

Tim Shannon, Council Liaison 6:16

* Call to Order, 6:01 pm

1) Public input period. Introductions, presentation of **Draft Interim Management Plan for Riverfront Woods Preserve**, Erik Donohoe

Four members of the public including three neighbors whose properties border the proposed Preserve commented and asked questions with special focus on considerations before presentation to Town Council: dogs (prohibited under interim plan), riverbank erosion, and the need for a prioritized list and costs estimates of planned improvements. A study of relationship of dogs to site resources (such as deer) was suggested. Karyn has more detailed notes on this portion of the meeting, and she will draft language for hunting ordinance.

7:08pm Public period closed. Acceptance of January minutes moved to March.

2.) **Open Space Task Force** – Josh Royte updated PLC on the Task Force’s work, the maps and overlays that have been developed and when they may be publicly accessible, and the efforts to find a writer for the final report.

3.) Project updates- **Train Depot** – Karyn reported a very positive meeting last week. Rehab will move forward in increments. **Latchstring Park** – First meeting, also very productive. **Streetscape** public meeting is scheduled for Feb. 12, at Yarmouth High School, 5:30pm.

4.) Discussion of other projects postponed until next meeting.

5.) Adjournment, 8:19pm, Mary W. moved, 2nd Lisa. Unanimous.