

## **Winchendon Community Park Infrastructure Committee June 3 2021 Minutes Zoom Meeting**

Committee Members Present: Dave Romanowski, Ken LaBrack, Jane LaPointe, Randy Tenney

Community: Tiffany Newton (WCP Program Committee)

Meeting called to order at 5:33 p.m.

Approved minutes from April 26, 2021

### **New Business**

#### **1. Update from Tiffany: Recreation**

- a. On 6/2/2021 Tiffany met with the Justin (new Town Manager). He is focused on the Recreation Commission, which is in the Town ByLaws, and its structure. The town is looking for members to join this Commission. Tiffany will join and represent the WCP. The town will also be considering how to best structure, manage, promote recreation.
  - As a follow-up, Tiffany can ask if there is link between the restructuring of the Recreation Commission and the Town's Master Plan.
  - Dave noted that the Park is being integrated into the community through a process of evolution. It's not something that will happen overnight. However, the Park does need town/taxpayer participation. Longer-term structure may include an advisory group with subcommittee for programming and infrastructure that help to organize working groups of friends of the Park. Best to let the structure evolved through Justin
- b. It remains to be clarified how parks, recreation will be expected to raise funds and how these funds would be allocated.
- c. Town Manager will try to get the Town involved/included /enrolled in grants for historical buildings

### **Old Businesses**

#### **1. Communication/Coordination**

- a. Dave and Miranda have not been able to meet.
- b. Dave would like to have a simple set of FAQ's for the Park/Amphitheater Project to post on the site ... and a set of the final design documents. Dave will send list of FAQs to Justin for input

#### **2. Trails**

##### **a. Trail Maintenance & Trail Use**

- Maintenance, is a priority need. Someone to work with Dylan and Rick Morin, etc. to come up with a plan - a volunteer coordinator. For the interim - Ken will ask the Scouts if they will help keep the trails clear by

regularly walking the trails, removing fallen brush, limbs, etc. and letting us know of potential larger problems (i.e. widow makers)

- Ticks/Pest Management - the committee agreed to table the quote for now and to request that **Dylan** thank Eric but let him know that this is on hold.
- Maps -- We need a map-maker to provide updated, accurate maps to post at the kiosk and online, etc. Perhaps Chris Tompkins knows of someone.

b. The footbridge on the Forest Cove Trail - no update

c. Vistas & Deck .. no update

d. New Trails/Use -- recently acquired 8 acres

- This has been talked about as potential sites for disc golf, along with the opening of new trails as part of disc golf
- On the topic of Disc Golf, the committee voted to see if Chris Tompkins would be interested in joining. **Dave** will call him.

### **3. Pending - Save/Secure the Barn and Garage**

- a. Randy has the list for the barn half done. He reviewed the lead paint report during this meeting. The report confirmed the existence of lead paint on the barn exterior. **Randy** will have someone experienced with this review the reports and provide his opinion. Randy advised that the gutter on the barn be removed and not replaced when the trim boards are removed and replaced.
- b. Garage is on hold until Randy hears from the Building Inspector what has to be done to support the front wall.

### **4. Amphitheater Project Updates**

- c. There will be a design review meeting next week at the Town Hall with Fire, Policy, Planning, Zoning, Conservation, OPM and Architects
  - (Question was asked tonight as to who mapped the wetlands that are being used in this project: David Koonce, John Walker, Tighe & Bond maps from Park master plan?)
- d. The project will go before the Conservation Commission on June 10<sup>th</sup> with a revised agenda, per Tracy and Alison

**Next Meeting: Monday, July 26, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.**

Meetings will now be in person, question of capacity limits and requests for masks.

**Adjourned: 6:48 p.m.**

**Approved: July 26, 2021**