Yarmouth Parks & Lands Committee

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

Date: February 3, 2016 Time: 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Yarmouth Town Hall, Community Room

To advise the Town Council, staff, boards, committees, and the public concerning the funding, acquisition, management, use, and disposition of town lands needed to implement the parks, trails, pedestrian easements, and open-space goals of the community; and to engage the town and public in stewardship, protection, and uses of the natural environment and ecosystems of Yarmouth through public education, shared responsibility and personal experience, and connection to the lands and waters of Yarmouth.

Chair: Larry Lindgren (2016)

Committee members 2016:

Beth Sturtevant, Fmr chair (excused)

Mary Webber Andrew Mazer Jamie Carter Jay Waterman Tony Cowles Notes taken by:

Town Council, Staff & Guests:

David Craig, YTC Karyn Garofoli Kyle Warren, YCS staff Ed Ashley, CPIC

Meeting Purpose:

- Strategic prioritization
- Pratts Brook Park Management Plan Revision

Desired Outcomes:

- Determine successes aligned with CPIC 2015
- Determine priorities aligned with CPIC 2016
- Determine priorities aligned committee passions 2016
- · Determine priorities aligned with PLC mission
- Confirm PBP public hearing schedule and PR materials

Wednesday evening, in Yarmouth on 2/3/16 at 6pm, at Town Hall, 200 Main St. off the Cleaves Street Lot

MINUTES

Welcome & Introductions

- Introductions and welcome for guests and members
- January 2016 Minutes- approved and accepted by those attending those meetings and present to vote

Project Prioritization, successes and gaps; 2015 &2016

- PLC to update the CPIC (E. Ashley representing CPIC) on 2015 activity
- PLC mission review
- Personal passions and project champion's

Pratts Brook Park Management Planning

- The most current version is from January, 2000
- The PLC agrees that historic, current and future use demand an opportunity to revise the v.2000 document
- A public informational meeting will be hosted February 24 2016 to gather public comment on current use, user conflict and unrealized potential.
- A press release has been prepared. A version of this will be formatted into a post-able invitation to the community to join the public hearing.
- Goal for management plan revision- 12/31/2016

Important dates upcoming

2/20/2016- Saturday 4-8pm FULL MOON SHOESHOE WALK Pisgah Hill Preserve, New Gloucester (www.rrct.org)

3/02/2016- Wednesday 6pm Parks & Lands Committee Meeting, Town Hall Community Room

04/06/2016- Wednesday 6pm Parks & Lands Committee Meeting, Town Hall Community Room

04/16/2016-Saturday 9am -12 Work day at Spear Farm

05/21/2016-Saturday 9:30am Annual Royal River Spring Fling Canoe Trip and River Fest to celebrate World Fish

Migration. Royal River Park and Yarmouth History Center

Summer 2016- TBD Kayak tour of Lanes Island