



**Town Of Medway
Open Space Committee**
155 Village Street
Medway, Massachusetts 02053

Meeting Minutes on November 1, 2016

**Medway Senior Center
Oakland Circle**

Attendance	Tina Wright	Jim Wickis	Denise Legee	Charlie Ross	Joanne Williams	Mike Francis	Bruce Hamblin
Present	X	X	X	X	X		X
Absent with notice							
Absent without notice							

Girl Scouts:

There were two girl scouts at the meeting seeking projects they could complete to fulfill their requirements for a silver award. The girls need 50 hours of work completion. The girls were presented with several possibilities and options. The goal is to have their project completed by June, 2017. Member Legee offered to walk some of the areas being discussed with the girls.

Suggested Ideas:

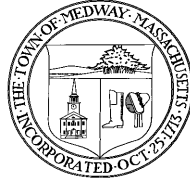
- Clearing one from high school to Summer Street could help also on marking.
- The meadow south trails in woods.
- Clear and clean up the trail which forms the link trail to Idylbrook which starts at parking lot and parallel to Adams Street.
- Have the girls contact the Trail Club.

Adams Meadow Update:

The Chairman spoke with the Conservation Agent and it was communicated that there is money available to do the clearing of the path, and parking area. The work is to be completed this week. The next step will be to have the parking area completed.

Chicken Brook Boardwalk:

The Board of Selectman have placed holder for \$100,000 for the Chicken Brook Boardwalk. The Open Space Committee is the sponsor.



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On a motion made by Bruce Hamblin and seconded by Charlie Ross, the Open Space Committee voted unanimously to support the warrant article for the boardwalk in the amount to \$100,000.

Jim Wieler was present at the meeting and explained that the discussion of the boardwalk is still being negotiated. There will need to be five small bridges built, ideal for scout or community service projects. These will need approval from ConCom. The goal is to have the boardwalk completed in by the end of 2017. The preferred route starts at the edge of the Eversource right of way and this will need to be approved.

Member Williams indicated that her Juliette's Group could possible build one of the bridges.

Amphitheater fence/parking area:

The Committee was informed that there is funding for a fence. The Chairman will meet with Fred Sibley to mark where the fence will go. The parking area also needs to be dug out and squared off.

Peace Garden:

In regards to the peace garden, the parents of the group will drive the process, and Open Space will assist in facilitating. The members of the parents group will be making the decisions.

Canoe Launch and Landscaping:

The Chairman informed the committee that she did met with Tucker Landscaping. A quote is expected within the next week. The Chairman also spoke with the Conservation Agent about a restoration project at the canoe launch area. This would include the placement of boulders. The Conservation Agent was receptive to this.

Sign Samples:

The signs will be included on the December agenda. Member Legee will follow-up with Susy Affleck-Childs about if there is any funding for signs.

Criteria for Ranking Land:

The Chairman made some revisions to the ranking of land criteria sheet. This will be forwarded to the members and placed on the December 6, 2016 agenda.

Tree Inventory:



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Member Williams informed the Committee that she did do an inventory of the trees at the high school. Her observations of the trees concluded that the trees have been planted too deep and are covered with an excess of mulch. The Committee suggested that she contact the tree warden.

Williamsburg Open Space Area:

The Committee discussed sending an email to Susy Affleck-Childs to set up a meeting regarding the Williamsburg Open Space Area.

Minutes:

On a motion made by Charlie Ross and seconded by Denise Legee, the Open Space Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes of October 4, 2016 with revisions.

Future Meeting:

- Tuesday, December 6, 2016.

Adjourn:

On a motion made by Charlie Ross and seconded by Denise Legee, the Open Space Committee voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Sutherland
Approved December 6, 2016