



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

**Meeting Minutes on August 1, 2017**

**Medway Senior Center  
Oakland Circle**

<b>Attendance</b>	Tina Wright	Jim Wickis	Denise Legee	Charlie Ross	Joanne Williams	Mike Francis	Bruce Hamblin
Present	X	X	X	X			

**New Trail:**

**Boardwalk:**

The Committee was informed that the contract for the boardwalk was signed and the construction start date is August 15, 2017.

**Footbridges and Boardwalk:**

The Committee was informed that there will be a total of three footbridges. The Trails Task force filed a Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) with the Conservation Commission and got approval.

The contract for the boardwalk construction has been signed. The anticipated start date is late August/early September.

**Amphitheater:**

The Committee discussed that there are a total of five trees which need to be cleaned up on the trail. There are also trees which have fallen near the slope leading up to Village Street. There needs to be a plan to get this cleaned up. There also needs to be a plan to have the DPS clean up this area. The Chairman will follow-up with DPS. The Chairman informed the members that Selectmen Trindade did a site visit and hopefully there will be some progress with the parking and the easement which would be needed. This will be continued to be explored.

Member Legee will be attending the open space master plan meeting and will bring up the maintenance of open space areas.

It was recommended to meet with the new DPS Director to bring up the variety of concerns. It was also suggested that we discuss this with the Board of Selectmen open space liaison Glenn Trindade. The Chairman will send an email to the DPS director.



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**Trail Club:**

There was discussion about reaching out to the public to get more members of the community involved.

**Open Space Master Plan:**

The Committee discussed that since there is an open space master plan committee, they would like representative Legee to communicate that there are budget implications which need to be discussed regarding the maintenance of the open space parcels. There needs to be accountability on the town behalf and if the town is not going to agree to provide the maintenance and provide the manpower to maintain these areas, then this should be noted in the language within the master plan. The goal is to have this plan completed by March 2018.

**Signs/Kiosks:**

The money for the signs/kiosks have been approved. There needs to be follow-up with the DPS about the delivery. This will remain on the next agenda. Member Ross expressed a concern that some of the signs can't be done properly until this fall's trail work is complete, and recommends that some of them be deferred until new maps, etc., can be prepared.

**Other Business:**

- The Chairman sent a note about the trail education to the school and has not heard back.
- The Open Space Committee was supplied with plans for the Obrien project.
- The Chairman will follow-up with Selectmen Trindade on the canoe launch.
- At the Adams Meadows, due to the efforts of volunteers. 1094 wild parsnip plants were pulled since it is invasive.

**Minutes:**

The minutes will be tabled until the next meeting.

Member Hamblin arrived at 8:10 pm.

**Adjourn:**

**On a motion made by Charlie Ross and seconded by Denise Legee, the Committee voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted,



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Amy Sutherland  
Recording Secretary  
Approved September 5, 2017