

## Committee Members

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Charlie Ross, Clerk  
Mike Francis, Member  
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Jim Wickis, Member  
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# TOWN OF MEDWAY

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, no in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted at this meeting.

**Tuesday, April 6, 2021 7:00 pm**  
**REMOTE MEETING**

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

### **Tina opened the meeting at 7:00pm**

- Adams-to-Lovering Management Plan – Final Review

Charlie stated he sent out version # 9 a few weeks ago. He included the re-written center section from Joanne and Jim. He put the new bridge names in and one is still TBD, and he made some miscellaneous administrative changes. Denise objected to the last sentence on page 7 where it states a kiosk and open space sign will be put in that area. She did not have any plans for a kiosk; just say open space signage will be put there. The reference to the kiosk will be removed.

***Charlie made a motion to approve the Adams to Lovering Management Plan with the change mentioned above. Denise seconded the motion, and Denise, Charlie, Jim, and Tina all stated aye they were in favor and it was voted to approve.***

- Brochure Update

Action Item: Charlie will approach Fran about working with her on the brochure. Denise will contact Sandy about doing the layout of the brochure.

- Lovering Street Park Lot

Action item: Tina spoke to Pete Pelletier and will meet with him on site in two weeks.

- Conflict of Interest Training

All the members present stated they have submitted theirs. Action item: Tina will check with Joanne to see if she has submitted hers.

- Prior Funding Articles (Tina)

Tina stated CPC had their meeting last night. Tina recommended using the \$12,000 that was in various spending articles as a budget and put the article balances back into their reserve. They will keep the Amphitheater money as identified for it.

CPC also voted \$500,000 for completely redoing 5 tennis courts at the high School and making the 6<sup>th</sup> into 4 pickleball courts.

- Adams Meadow “donuts” (Jim)

Jim did not have an update. Action item: Jim will talk to Steve about ways to keep people from driving on the meadow and report back at the next meeting.

- Amphitheater Village Street Access (Tina)

Tina stated she met with Officer Watson and he said the sightline for crossing the street there is terrible. We would need to put in a cross walk down the road a bit. Tina has a quote of \$5,000 to do the curb cut. Do we continue to pursue the crosswalk and access to it or put an open space sign there which tells people where to park. The members agreed to move forward with the crosswalk/access. Action Item: Tina will follow up with DPW on this.

The next step would be to fix parking on Village street and add fencing. Need to determine how the access down the slope can be accomplished. The hammock area would need to be removed. Action Item: Mike Francis to follow up with the engineers and identify one or two options that do not include stairs to access the upper amphitheater area to the lower steep incline trail.

- Land Management Plan update (Jim)

The town has accepted the ongoing maintenance for this but they have to see if they have a mower that can access the trails. Jim spoke with Steve Carew last week and Steve stated he handed it over to Darryl Blethen and he is still reviewing it. Action item: Jim to follow up with DPW.

- Treating Invasives (Jim)

Jim has not heard from Bridget but Pete Pelletier stated they are working on the plan. Action Item: Jim will call Bridget to follow up on this.

## Invasive Plant Policy, Goal 10, OSRP

Jim stated the policy draft is still at Conservation Commission for review. Jim will contact ConCom to determine the status of their review. It is thought that Trail Club volunteers could do some of the work but larger areas would have to be a budgeted endeavor. Denise asked what happened with the treating of the bittersweet. Jim stated they are supposed to work on it this spring. **Action Item: Jim will check with Steve to see if they are still going to do this.**

- Coordination of scout and volunteer projects (Joanne)

Tina stated she sent an email to Michael Boynton and Allison about this. Allison thought the DPW would be the best department to coordinate this because most of the projects fall under their purview. The committee discussed this and are in agreement that DPW would be the best department to coordinate these projects. Scout leaders are reluctant to have a single point of contact. **Tina will ask Mike Boynton if it is something internally the town can implement.**

- Dog signs subcommittee (Joanne/Denise)

Tina stated she confirmed with the animal control officer that dogs are not allowed off-leash on any town property. Denise sent an email to Allison about putting signs up about having dogs on leash on trails. Allison stated she would talk to the staff to determine the best way to handle this and look into what happened last time and get back to her. **Action Item: Denise will follow-up with Allison before the next OSC meeting.**

- Approval of Minutes:
- March 2, 2021

***Charlie made a motion to approve the March 2, 2021 meeting minutes as submitted. Jim seconded the motion and Denise, Charlie, Jim and Tina all stated aye they were in favor and the minutes were approved.***

New procedure regarding minutes. Tracy will send the draft meeting minutes to the committee members and they will send their comments/revisions to her within one week (instead of Charlie.) Once approved, Tracy will send the final version to Charlie, who will turn them into PDFs and post to the town website.

- Other items that may come before the committee

***Denise made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm. Charlie seconded the motion and Denise, Charlie, Jim and Tina all stated they were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.***

Respectfully submitted by,  
Tracy Rozak