Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee Town of Enfield, NH Proposed Minutes MLP Meeting 2/8/22

The committee met at 3:30 in the DPW conference room Present: Meredith Smith, Doug Smith, Ed Morris, Liam Ehrenzweig, Ken Warren, Terri Lynch, Pattie Fried. Via Zoom: Kate McMullen Guests via zoom: Dave Beaufait and Bridget Labrie

Minutes from 1/4/22 approved with one additional comment. Doug had pointed out that the town website did not offer much information about the park and needed updating.

Financial Update

Doug reports there has been no new activity. We have collected \$500,000 cash. We spent \$134,000 on the land, \$272,000 on the pavilion. Total spent \$414,000. We have \$86,000 in cash We are \$50,000 shy of meeting the LWC grant match and need to fundraise. He has been writing letters to potential donors and asks the committee for help. Waiting responses on Eastman and Upton. Pattie will check out possible funding from USDA, Native Plant Cons., and Invasive Species.

Rail Trail Access

Need for signage discussed. Possibly the Rail Trail managers could post signs showing preferred access to the park. A few folks are still coming down the steep bank from the rail trail towards the pavilion but this seems to be fewer than before the rope fence was reinstalled. A note to thank Paul Currier of the snowmobile club was suggested and Meredith will follow up on that. There are 3 Parking signs in town that have access to the rail trail but only have a P on the sign. Suggestion made that the town be asked to add something indicating there is access to the rail trail at those locations, ? a rail trail logo. Meredith will speak with Rob about this.

Security

There is a sign up at the park indicating a security camera is in place. According to Ed/Chief Holland states the camera is in place.

Planning for Spring

The plan to block use of the steep grade to access the park may be a combination of trees, shrubs and rocks. Pattie will confer with Henry Homeyer, garden designer, to come up with an overall plan for the park. This will be sometime in the spring. There is a plan to remove the asphalt above the steep bank which used to be part of the temporary emergency access in spring. A workday or days will be planned for the end of April or May depending on weather. There is a need for coordinated signage.

A RFP has been publicized for the retaining wall replacement project with the hope to get this done in Spring.

Winter Park Usage

Ice Day activities will take place this saturday. A plan for a campfire discussed. This will be on land (not on the lake) and may use a portable campfire unit. Meredith will contact the fire department ahead of time.

Park Management Issues

Bridget Labrie advises that web site issues should be directed to Alisa @ Town Hall

Bike Rack: Terri notes that prices and delivery times have all been affected by supply chain issues. It was suggested we should get an order in this week if possible. Various models were researched and pictures and estimates circulated. The rack that matches our picnic tables and benches had the most support. Belson Model BR-200 in cedar/black made from recycled plastic. (aprox cost \$830. Including delivery) Meredith will see about getting it ordered.

Discussion about the restrictions that will apply if we use the LWC grant as it is required to follow the ADA accessible plan submitted with the application. Meredith will reach out to Bill Gegas to get more information.

Next Meeting: 3/1/22