

Mascoma Lakeside Park
Committee Meeting at Enfield Community Bldg. Enfield, NH
Minutes: 3/7/23

Members in Attendance: Shirley Green, Meredith Smith, Doug Smith, Ken Warren, Penny Koburger, and Dave Beaufait
On zoom: Kate McMullen, Pattie Fried
Town Reps in Attendance: Liam Ehrenzweig, and Ed Morris.
Mike Burns presented.

The minutes of 2/7/23 were approved with corrections.

Financial Updates:

No new figures for income or expenses were reported. Town has not yet reimbursed itself for expenses. This reconciliation will be provided at next meeting.

Mike Burns' Presentation:

Mike presented his landscaping plan of the nature trail half of the park and reviewed Paul Mirski's lay out of the parking area. Mike recommended that the first phase be the construction of the hard surface parking area. There would be 2 handicapped parking spaces for a total of 22 spaces, an unloading zone and turn around would be near the pavilion. This phase would be followed by major tree placements and construction of the nature trail path as a second phase. Smaller shrub, perennial placement and garden areas would follow.

The plans for the parking area were unanimously approved. The plans for the nature trail were also unanimously approved with the recognition that there would be further discussion of plantings and details.

Infrastructure Subcommittee:

The letter to the Bureau of Trails was sent. Liberty Utilities is "looking into" overhead wire removal near our parking area and boat launch.

Landscaping Subcommittee:

The Landscape Committee committed to dates for work days during next summer. the first focus will be to continue to work on removal of invasives.

Other Business:

Meredith S. reports that the president of the PTA, Kristin Harrington, is pleased that we are pursuing educational programming at the MLP.

Doug S. felt that the “recognition of donors” idea of a kiosk may not be workable. A new idea is to put some kind of backing on the stone bench beside the pavilion.

Meredith S. has volunteered to write the Mirski family with a letter of condolence from all of us, sharing our sincere appreciation for all of Paul Mirski’s work for the MLP. He was a passionate defender of land preservation. Possibly naming the pavilion or park after Paul Mirski was discussed.