

Mascoma Lakeside Park
Committee Meeting at Enfield Community Bldg. Enfield, NH
Minutes: 5/2/23-Draft

Members in Attendance: Shirley Green, Meredith Smith, Doug Smith, Ken Warren, Kate McMullan, Penny Koburger, Pattie Fried, Terri Lynch, and Dave Beaufait

Town Reps in Attendance: Liam Ehrenzweig and Ed Morris

The minutes of 4/3/23 were approved with corrections.

Election of Chair and Vice Chair:

Meredith Smith was unanimously re-elected as chair of the committee and Terri Lynch as vice chair of the MLP Committee.

Financial Updates:

No new figures for income or expenses were reported. Doug summarized early funding history of the Park as follows: Before the Town accepted the park and established a trust fund to receive donations, Enfield Village Association acted as financial agent for the park committee. On December 20, 2017, after the Town set up the MLP Trust Fund, EVA paid over the net amount they had on hand, \$4471.21, to the Town. This was the first deposit to the Trust Fund. In March of this year I approached the EVA treasurer and received an accounting of these funds. Here is how they breakdown.

-Seven cash donations	\$9970.57
-interest income	2.96
-Payment to MTD for Boat ramp	\$5,386.32
-Purchase of sign	\$112
-Bank charges	\$ 4

Net received of EVA to Trust Fund: \$4,471.21

Doug has updated donor records to include these seven donations. It was brought up that Nick Williams contributed \$900 plus labor in the creation of the Kiosk.

Donor Letter :

Doug's draft of a letter to donors was approved unanimously. It will be signed by Meredith on Town stationery. unanimously approved (see above). A motion to name park after Paul Mirski did not get a second.

Enfield Shaker Village Scenic Byways Grant:

The town was approved for a federal Byways grant of \$734,000 (with 25% match from Town).

Parking Lot Plans:

Pathways has received RFP plans for the Park. It will be a park wide plan. Have a RFP for a wetland scientist to examine wetlands are properly identified and protected.

Infrastructure Subcommittee:

Dave brought up that he is hearing interest in storing kayaks at the Park, particularly a place for disabled users to store their kayaks near the water. Concerns about further shoreline vegetation not being protected was brought up. Suggestion that Kayaks should be down by the non-motorized boat ramp was brought up.

Discussed signage on the kiosk and elsewhere needing to be consistent. Penny suggested bringing in Debra Parker, who has created signage for college campuses, to help us with consistency, number and types of signs at the park. Refreshed temporary sign of "Mascoma Lakeside Park" was unanimously approved.

Landscaping Subcommittee:

Pattie presented a revised volunteer work schedule and asked MLP committee members to consider signing up for a work day.

A Red Maple tree was planted at the Park, near the Rail Trail, on Arbor Day.

Questions remain of how we can safely remove Poison Ivy from the Park. Ed will look into what he thinks we are allowed to do.

Donor Recognition:

Doug proposed a donor plaque for the 127 donors with size of font distinguishing the donor contributions. A bronze cast sign would cost about \$6100. Penny was concerned that the cost was excessive for the Park.

Power Pole Removal:

We are in the queue...

Summer Planning Schedule:

Old Home Days: July 14-16.

Martha Rich is working on a possible MLA Watershed Warriors activity for children at the Park.

Lisa Loosigian may be coming to present "Soaking Up the Rain" a demonstration of rain gardens, using restoration of our rain garden.

MLA may have an ecologist show invasive and native species at Lakeside Park.

Exploration of Food truck continues. Some want a \$350 minimum guarantee. Wicked Awesome Barbecue said they would try it for free...

Town Reports:

Ed reported that the select board approved rental procedures for the Park's pavilion. Only Enfield residents will be able to rent the pavilion.