

Mascoma Lakeside Park
Committee Meeting at Whitney Hall Town Office, Enfield, NH
Minutes:6/6/23 Approved

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

Town Rep in Attendance: Liam Ehrenzweig

The minutes of 5/2/23 were approved with corrections.

(See attached Monthly FinancialStatus report from Doug Smith):

Note that the sailing club sent in \$2000 towards park maintenance, the MLA donated \$3000, and Mrs. Burns sent in an unsolicited \$1000 for the Park. There is a total of \$244,522.67 available to spend.

Mirski Memorial Grove:

The Mirski Memorial Grove currently has \$3050 for the purchase of trees. Pattie and Mike Burns considered several possible locations for a Mirski Memorial Grove. The Prairie Fire Crab apple and Serviceberry were discussed as possible trees. It was decided that we wait to pick a spot until after survey, engineering, and permitting are complete, possibly using one of the identified groves of trees in the nature area where there is more space.

Memorial Donations:

An artistic birdbath was offered in memory of Austin Flint. There are concerns about how and what we accept as non monetary donations. Dave Beaufait will talk to Allison. The Committee decided they need a policy for non monetary donations. A motion was made, and unanimously approved, for Doug and Kate to come up with an MLP wish list for donations and a process for approval/acceptance of donations.

Park Plan:

Liam reported that Enfield Town has selected Pathways to handle parking lot, walking trails and shoreline permitting with subcontracting by Mike Burns. No bids were determined at this time and there was no timetable yet for engineering though they will try to do it promptly.

Enfield Shaker Village Scenic Byways Grant:

The town is “moving ahead” with the grant.

Infrastructure Subcommittee:

Ken presented his 2 “Mascoma Lakeside Park” signs for the Kiosk. They were unanimously approved and he and Dave will install them, one on each side of the kiosk.

Meredith proposed that the kiosk be painted white to go with the pavilion. Liam and Dave will talk with Jim Taylor about white opaque stain.

Landscaping Subcommittee:

Pattie has held 2 workdays at the Park. The first was used to remove Black Locust from the “Oak Grove” near Patton’s path. The second work day was used to weed and edge the existing flower beds and shrubs.

After much discussion, a motion was made and approved that anything done in the Park, such as plantings, will need the approval of the whole committee.

Questions remain of how we can safely remove Poison Ivy from the Park. The Town may need to include it in its plant removal plans. A motion was made and unanimously approved for Pattie to buy 3 “warning poison ivy” signs to be placed in appropriate spots in the Park.

The MLP committee would like recognize Rick and other DPW workers for their outstanding maintenance of the Park.

Summer Planning Schedule:

Old Home Days: July 14-16.

MLA Watershed Warriors activity for children at the Park is ready to be picked up in Concord.

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...

New Business:

Ed and Rob recommend that we be careful about using “reply all” in our emails as it goes out everywhere and can create problems. Send your replies to relevant individuals.

Notes taken by Penny Koburger