

Open Space and Recreation Committee

Town of Tisbury
Department of Public Works
115 High Point Lane, Tisbury, MA

Meeting Minutes

Date: March 7, 2022

Meeting called to order: 10:30am

Place: Zoom

Attendance: Committee members - Cheryl Doble (CD) Carolyn Wallis (CW), Henry Stephenson (HS), James Burrows (JB), Gerry Hokanson (GH)

1. Updates

- **Tennis Program**

- Discussed marketing the West Chop tennis program – emails to all school children, perhaps via the PTO; articles in Gazette and Times; MV Calendar; Town website.
- Sessions will be two days/wk., 3x/ day, both courts, 12-16 people in each, 3 child age groups (5-7) (7-10) (11-14). JB to confirm age groups. Sign up for one session, can put self on waitlist for more. All age groups, 1.5 hrs., 2x/wk. 10:30-12, one session and waitlist for additional.
- JB will send a draft notice announcing the times and how to sign up. West Chop does not have an online system, so JB and David will coordinate and organize some type of online portal.
- The Brian brothers, pro doubles team are coming to West Chop in July and could do a session at Lake Street.
- David McNamara inquired about using Church Street and what it would cost to open up those courts for adults to play, knowing they aren't in great shape. CW will send costs to JB and check with Kirk about the possibility of this.
- Aim is to build support for the program via marketing before Town Meeting on April 12.

- **Lagoon Harbor Park**

- CD spoke with Richard Andre about formalizing contribution to the Town for open space.
- Harbor Use Committee must approve. CD will speak with Jay Grande about including a provision in their approval for \$ commitment to open space and write a letter to Richard/Jay Grande/Jeff Kristal/Select Board about this matter. We can speak at the public hearing of the Harbor Use Committee on 3/16 and request this.
- HS asked if there was an overall analysis of the benefits to the Town of the project, rather than just addressing benefits to each group – Con Com, Harbor Use, etc. Current process is very incremental, so don't see the total picture. The MVC has reviewed the overall project, and Con Com has approved the project.

- **Lagoon Pond Landing**

- HS will meet with Doug Reese regarding placement of the restroom.

- **Lake Street**

- CD and CW are revising HS's PowerPoint presentation on Lake Street Park to help make the points about the various projects easy to understand and make the PowerPoint easy to share.
- HS will meet with Kirk Metell about the parking under the Powerline re what is possible, and what type of configuration could work to improve the parking. Also, will review parking at the

dock, public seating, ADA access and kayak landing designs for ADA. May be possible to add ADA kayak landings at other parks.

- Plan is to have a public workshop in early April before Town meeting. If not possible, will move this to May.

2. Interactive Map

- GH showed an interactive map prepared by the MVC, for committee use. The map includes parks and open spaces, routes and gaps in routes to parks and between parks, parcel information in various layers.
- Map will be useful in planning bike routes, trails and walking paths and understanding data available.
- GH indicated that Falmouth has a color-coded bike trail map showing difficulty of routes. This is similar to what the MVC Bike & Ped Committee is working on for MV.
- The Map will be placed in the Committee Google Drive. Need to use ID and Password to access.

3. Eversource

- GH presented a PowerPoint re issues of having trails and bike routes under the Eversource powerline, as prep to a meeting with Eversource reps.
- Issue of Safety, Noise, Risk and Liability, general usability of the surface.
- Plan for a meeting with Eversource in April

4. Next Steps

- Lake Street Committee to meet March 18th – CW, CD, HS

5. Adjournment

HS moved to adjourn; GH seconded. Approved 5-0.

Next Meeting - 4/4. DPW, in person.

Submitted by Carolyn Wallis