

Acton Dog Park Committee
Minutes
Nov 13, 2018

Attending:

Cathy Fochtman
Joan Gardner
Tom Gillispie
Fred Kinch
Karen Martin
Mike Perry
Clare Siska

Citizens:

Joe Will attended - faithfully!

Clare called the meeting to order at. 7:30

Citizen's Concerns: None

Minutes from October 30, 2018 were read, amended, and accepted.

Action Items:

- Proposal delivered to Walker property.
- Responding to requests for survey.
- Karen connected with Nicole Bordenca on some new social media activities - events, instagram, etc.
- Fred found article associated with Great Hill reimbursement - 1976, Conservation Commission reported \$135,055 was received from Bureau of Outdoor Recreation (state) to Town of Acton, including when a parking lot added in 1973 for \$12K. Take this to Tom T. to confirm use of Great Hill - not assigned - perhaps Cathy.
- Karen followed up with Acton TV - setup appointment - Karen and Clare to attend - Nov 30th 10AM.
- Clare will get a meeting with Town Manager prior to Dec 17th BoS meeting to clarify next steps, share information, answer any questions, etc. Joan to attend.

Walker Property Proposal: Submitted. No update so far. Cathy heard committee is meeting end of Nov. Cathy heard from Selby that one of the development proposals would work with a dog park (shared use?). Will look for ADPC member(s) to attend...

CPC Application: BoS voted to hold the ADPC CPC application in the “town list”. Need to get a site selection firmly done and articulated to BoS.

Site Selection: Next Steps:

Cathy heard at Rec meeting that BoS sees approving a site as within their purview. Clare will include this in discussion with Town Manager.

Prelim designs from Eng. Dept:

- great to have for Bos meeting
- will need for Stanton
- will be good to have for design firm selection
- Cathy will connect with Paul, then Cathy will introduce Fred to Qui-pang

Funding:

- Stanton Design Grant Application:
 - Karen handed out a great summary, Karen/Fred felt it was fairly straightforward
 - Design grant application requires a fair bit of construction grant materials to be ready
 - One item to work on is an assurance letter from Town with items as described on Stanton site. This includes a commitment from Town.
- 501c3: Doesn't seem needed now. Donations go thru Rec Dept.

Special Town Meeting Preparations:

- Clare will check with clerk on format - if its like before (hidden away in cafeteria) its not worth the time
- Clare will e-mail moderator

Community Outreach:

- Karen and Nicole reached out to Beacon and Action Unlimited
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New Business:

- Power Mill Animal Hospital has offered to raise funds via an event in January/Feb
 - possibly a bench
 - Clare will respond with confirmation of funds given to Town thru Rec. Dept.
- Clare will draft BoS presentation for next meeting.

Next meeting Tuesday November 27, 7:30pm Room 121 Town Hall.

Adjourned at 9:24

Respectfully submitted - Tom Gillispie