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Minutes accepted
as written
Christine Ward

Lake Mansfield Improvement Task Force Meeting Minutes:

Monday March 12, 2012 8:30 am

Location: 2nd Floor Meeting Room, Town Hall 334 Main Street, Great Barrington

PRESENT: C. Ward (chair), D. Abrams, J. Dezieck, R. Dlugosz, N. Evans, D. Phillips, C. Rembold (ex officio), S.F. Schroeder, A. Sewall, J. Sokul

NEXT MEETING: Monday, 4/9, 8:30 AM, Town Hall Meeting Room

MINUTES OF 2/23/11: Approved as corrected; D. Phillips was inadvertently not included among those present.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP: D. Phillips arranged to have the Select Board reappoint everyone currently serving on LMITF to another term with C. Ward continuing as chairperson. Parks Commission needs to appoint a new representative to LMITF.

REMOVAL OF UNNECESSARY PHONE POLES: J.Sokul reported Verizon tried unsuccessfully to dig a hole into which pole could safely be moved; site has also been checked by National Grid.

PLANNING FOR TRAILS IN LAKE MANSFIELD FOREST: G.B. Trails meeting will be replaced this week by a brochure development meeting.

UPDATES:

TOWN PLANNER: Boat launch is mostly land on the Vitale estate. Chain of title is very old and difficult to trace; state is reluctant to pursue this.

There will be an open forum 4/11 evening for public discussion of the G.B. Master Plan.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION: Estimate received from Geosyntec for Lake Mansfield assessment: \$3396 for weed survey, \$2988 for (new) bathymetrics, and \$2598 for water quality measurements. Awaiting estimates from other firms. Question raised as to what input, if any, Simon's Rock faculty/students might have on obtaining these data.

Question of cost of next season's phragmites control. Cutting was ineffective; selective herbicide will probably be needed, which would require professional application.

LMA CABIN FEVER FUNDRAISER: \$2711 profit. Plan to request Crissey Farm to plan for Wednesday instead of Thursday event next year so as not to overlap Planning Board meeting time.

VERNAL POOL CERTIFICATION: C. Ward will try again to initiate dialogue with Jim Mercer of Eastview Pool.

LMA WEBSITE: Being updated. R. Dlugosz will manage a blog.

GROUP PHOTO: Taken at boat launch for inclusion in LMA newsletter.

N.Evans, Recording Secretary