

The Delaney Planning Committee
Unofficial Minutes
July 13, 2020

Members in attendance:

Tim Makepeace, Felix Reed, Cathy Walker, Fran Gilman, Grace Larson

Also: Hilary Solomon

Meeting Called to order at 7:08PM.

Tim made a motion to move the meeting to the Lakeside Park to view the pavilion site. Cathy seconded.

Meeting moved to Park.

The June minutes were reviewed. Fran made a motion to accept them, Felix seconded it and it passed unanimously.

Hilary reports on the Poultney Mettowee Natural Resources Conservation District's plans. Nothing has changed from the original plans, but the funding for the plans for Lake Lucidian and the Lakeside Park has been approved, and any extra hours billed by Wells' contractor will be covered. The drainage will not be changed, just added to, and the portapotty will be moved slightly, just a couple of feet. They may plant more shrubs. The final design hasn't been approved yet, so if the committee has input there is still time.

Tim mentions that when the concrete is poured we should see if they can help with the planting plan. Fran points out that we need to keep in mind where the dock is stored during the winter when placement of shrubs is considered. Tim points out that we don't want the plantings to obscure view of the water access area from the picnic/pavilion area for safety reasons. Everyone agrees, if shrubs are planted between the water and the park area it should be something low that wouldn't impede the view.

Tim mentions that when the foundation is backed in would be a good time for Hilary to look at it and make further recommendations about drainage. Also, regarding the portapotty move, we should consider a swale to make sure water from that area and the parking area doesn't run into the lake.

Tim has talked to Don Pruess about sign orientation – we should turn the sign so people can see it upon entry. Also everyone should look at the sign and come forward with any recommendations before we get a new one made. Tim offers to help with the signs. Everyone agrees that a line saying no fires except in grills should be added. Fran will bring this idea to the Select Board to approve.

For the entrance sign – Tim and Don Pruess discussed the possibility of doing a 4'x6' slate frame similar to the one at the Town Office. Don could probably get the slate donated, and we could

ask Joe Capron to engrave it. Cathy asks about vandalism, we should maybe elevate the sign and ask someone to landscape? But no planter because weekly watering would be unpractical.

Tim brings up that the south entrance/exit view is obstructed and unsafe, can we get the town to trim the obscuring branches, or contact the utility company? Fran will bring this issue up with the Select Board.

There is one bid in on concrete for the Pavilion, and possibly 2 more on the way. No dates finalized yet. Fran explains some suggestions from contractors, such as rebar vs. wire mesh, but points out that the Select Board will ultimately be the clerk of the works for the Pavilion.

Cathy points out that we need to finalize the plan with VLT – Fran says the Select Board is working with Pam Burlingame on that. We also need to establish with Slate Valley Trails who is responsible for trail maintenance in the woods. Cathy will contact Pam and invite her to the next meeting.

Tim is going to ask for a representative from LSCCF to attend the next meeting so we can discuss details about LSCCF using the property. We need to talk with them about what sort of agreement, timing, possible lease, etc. would be beneficial for them but not preclude other uses of the structures, or possible grants. Tim asked Fran if he was there representing the Lake Saint Catherine conservation fund and Fran replied no, so we should get another representative from the fund to attend a meeting.

In regards to the dredging area Fran stated that as far as he knew the only approved dewatering area was on his property. He also stated that there was no money for dredging.

No treasury report this week.

Tim motions to adjourn, Cathy seconds, meeting adjourned 8:34pm.

Submitted this day, July 24, 2020 by Grace Larson, Secretary