## Open Space and Recreation Committee Meeting November 21, 2023

Nahant Town Hall, in person

Present: Trish Aldrich Chair, Nancy Cantelmo Recorder, Paula Devereaux, Rebecca Durgin, Kellie Nevelle Absent: Ellen Antrim

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm by Trish

Minutes of October 17, 2023 and Notes from meeting with Town Officials on October 25, 2023 were reviewed. Minutes were approved with a motion by Paula, seconded by Rebecca, and unanimously approved by the committee members.

Agenda reviewed by Trish.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Review of 10/25/23 Meeting with Town Officials (Ellen Antrim, Nancy Cantelmo, Tony Barletta and Zach Taylor): They agreed to cosponsor a CPC grant for a management plan for the remainder of Bailey's Hill, North Hill. This grant proposal is due January 16, 2024, with an online submission. CPC will hold an open meeting to discuss grant proposals in early December. Baileys Hill Fort Ruckman area plantings have been maintained by DPW, but rabbit damage was noted. Tony promised fencing around these plants. **We need to circle back with Zach about these exclosures** (done, 12/13 at Bailey's Hill site visit with Miles from Parterre). Heritage Trail CPC approved grant has not been implemented. Tony will speak with Kevin Andrews about this, as well as including in new plan to include a wider area.

Lodge Park: Next Steps Implementing Lodge Park Management Plan and \$29K CPC Grant. It is now time to wrap up drafting signs, with an aim to get files (text and high res images) to Pannier Graphics in January. Rebecca will make the text for the panormanic sign reader friendly and send to committee for comment. Rebecca has identified three possible graphic designers through Fiverr. The quote is \$450 and includes 20 revisions and 3 days delivery time. A credit card is required to initiate the process on the Fiverr platform. **Trish will figure out how to use the Town credit card. Each committee member will send their photos to Kellie who will compile them** in one document. Then we will meet with Robert Wilson and he will locate high res versions of those images. **Trish will schedule this meeting with Robert, aiming for early January.** 

Safety, green fencing at Lodge Park. Put on the list to talk about next with Zach. Maybe set up a walk with Zach to look at trails and scope out what work to do next.

Ellen has priced out the Heritage Trail sign and the Town will print it. **Next step: get together with Robert Wilson.** 

Nancy updated us that she submitted a \$500 grant request to Nahant Cultural Council for a waterfowl of Nahant program (talk and walk) by the Head of Joppa Flats, to be held Thursday January 25 and Sunday January 28 from 1-3 PM. Thank you, Nancy.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

OSRC and Town will submit a grant proposal for preparing a planting plan for rest of Fort Ruckman section of Bailey's Hill. Trish scheduled a site visit with Miles from Parterre Ecological to ask questions, etc. **Trish will invite Tony, Zach and Lynne Spencer/CPC to attend the 12/13 site visit.** 

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, January 9, 2024 at 7 PM. Please save the date.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 with a motion by Nancy, seconded by Rebecca and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted to the office of the Nahant Town Clerk, as approved by the Jan 9,2024 meeting of the Open Space and Recreation Committee.

Minutes prepared by Chair Trish Aldrich