

LAND USE BOARD MINUTES

January 9th, 2018

1 **Land Use Board Present:** Cathy Hoffman, Planning Board Chair; David Sullivan,
2 Heritage Commission Chair; Sherry Wyskiel, Trails Commission Chair; Mark Post,
3 Agricultural Commission Chair; Edward Chamberlain, Forestry Committee Chair; Mark Le
4 Doux, Representative of Board of Selectmen

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6 **Absent Members:** David Petry, Representative of Board Of Selectmen; Brian Major,
7 Zoning Board of Adjustment Chair; Melinda Willis, Cemetery Trustee Chair; Tom
8 Dufresne, Conservation Commission Chair; Bob Larmouth, NRPC Representative; Tom
9 Cook, Historic District Commission Chair; David Belanger, Recreation Commission Chair;
10 Eric Ryherd, Energy Commission Chair; Bob Larmouth, NRPC Rep.

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12 **STAFF:** Wendy Trimble, Assistant Planner

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14 **1. CALL TO ORDER: 5 PM**

15 **2. Information from each Chairperson**

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17 **Sherry Wyskiel – Hollis Trails Committee** – explained that after the Halloween Rain
18 Storm the trails were a real mess and the trails committee worked well along with volunteers
19 clearing up and tidying up 40+ miles. Other volunteers included Mountain Bike group and
20 Equestrian groups and dog walkers and after 2 weeks it was all cleared and she thanked
21 everyone. She also added that someone has done a great job on the Stefanowicz property
22 cleaning out the old trails. Mark Post asked where on the map these trails are. They haven't
23 been GPS yet. He thinks it was maybe Dave Orde as he has asked for permission if he could
24 clean up some of the trails. Other trails down by the swamp have been cleared up also. Sherry
25 is keen to get the trails into the woods so they are out of the orchard during working time.
26 Mark Post added they are working with trails on Woodmont this year, on signage for proper
27 use of trails through agriculture property. Mark LeDoux ask Mark Post to verify if Dave Orde
28 had done this work as he would like to send a letter of thanks. Sherry added that some of the
29 trails are badly eroded and she has the gravel to but she ran out of time and manpower before
30 snow fall.

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32 **Ted Chamberlain – Forestry Commission** – He offered to help the Trails Committee
33 with clearing the trails after a storm as they have access to the right equipment to cut fallen
34 trees etc. He told Sherry to reach out to him for help. However they have heavy equipment
35 that may mess up the snow mobile trails so it will have to decide what to do and when. Sherry
36 mentioned the post is broken on Wheeler Road, not sure if the post was broken or rotten, and
37 the Forestry will fix it.

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39 **Mark Post – Agricultural Commission** – He explained they have looked at the
40 Siergiewicz property along with the Recreational Commission. To have the mix on the
41 Stefanowicz property would have caused problems and he applauded the Recreational
42 Commission for the time and care taken to look at the concerns raised by the Agricultural
43 Commission. And Tom Dufresne, Conservation also did a good job bringing Siergiewicz
44 property on South Merrimack Road as an option for the town to decide. One thing the Board
45 of Selectmen should know is that if the town votes for the purchase etc. on Siergiewicx
46 Property then the Agricultural Commission will be asking next year for the lease on
47 Stefanowicz to be a multi-year lease. There is also the question of what to with the house on
48 that property. Options are open to discussion. Mark Post also concluded that this year they
49 will be working with Trails on signage going through Agricultural land, maybe some
50 educational outreach, newspaper article, to explain the food safety act and why you have to

be careful walking through farms. Mark LeDoux suggested reaching out the local Eagle Scout project to see if they would like to help with this. C. Hoffman also suggested the Rotary Interact Club. Mark LeDoux asked if the town forest had enough signage. Ted said yes. Sherry suggested that Birch Hill property will need signage this year. She added the snow mobile club had moved a trail from Hayden Road to Birch Hill. The Birch family made a donation of \$3500 to the snow mobile club. The gate to the cell tower still needs to be moved. This is the town's responsibility. Sherry needs to meet with the Chief of Police to discuss this as it will be our only off road parking so it will need patrols to check it.

David Sullivan – Heritage Commission - stated that the Commission had sold 550 calendars this year, our best year ever. Lull Farm also sold a lot of calendars for Heritage Commission too. The calendar sales have been the raising of funds to put up the Cooper Shop and we are almost there. He added the group is very close to starting this project and are hoping to have the foundation in by spring. He explained that Woodmont is the area that had been discussed several years ago, for the relocation, placed 90 degrees to Gambrel Barn where the small outbuilding used to be. He has a number of past Board of Selectmen meeting minutes and will talk with Kim and Chrissy this month to make everything is set to go. It will make a really nice addition to the Woodmont buildings and will be stocked with tools that a Cooper would use. M. LeDoux offered to help financially should further funds be needed to finish this project from the LeDoux Foundation as they had helped previously with the other two buildings. To round out those three building up there, he said that we are working for a grant from Historical resources to provide story boards to explain the history of these buildings and how they have been rebuilt. Mark LeDoux offered for the Heritage Commission to request these funds from the Marie LeDoux Foundation. His generous offer was appreciated and accepted by both David and Wendy on behalf of the Heritage Commission.

Mark LeDoux – Chairman Board of Selectmen – he spoke about great work carried out by a lot of individuals as well as the Recreation, Trails and Agricultural committees, in looking into the Stefanowicz property and the remediation necessary to allow agricultural and recreation to be placed together. The alternative seems to have been found with the opportunity at Siergiewicz property. Last night at the budget committee, it was voted to endorse warrant article number 2. This will provide two full sized regulation fields and 103 parking spaces. He also discussed other items on the warrant article.

Cathy Hoffman – Planning Board – explained the items on the Planning Board Agenda for January. There is a public hearing for the Zoning Ordinance amendments for Agricultural signs and farm stands. She added the Energy Committee were going to come forward with changes to the Solar Ordinance however they came late to the board so they have deferred until next year. The building department have also asked that an ordinance for buildings/sheds any size require a permit.

Meeting adjourned at 6 PM

T. Dufresne had been held up and arrived as we adjourned.

Respectively submitted by,
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