

Town of Edgecomb  
Minutes for Schmid Preserve Advisory Board Meeting  
February 19, 2020, 7 p.m., Town Hall

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Leone. Board members present were Andy Abello, Jim Beam, Bob Leone, Laura Lubelczyk, Lisa McSwain, David Nutt and Selectman Mike Smith. There was no public input.

2. Chairman's Report – Bob Leone

- a. Review of Meeting Minutes: There were no additions or corrections.
- b. Next Meeting – March 18

3. Selectman's Report

Mike Smith reported that the Budget Committee had discussed the \$500 given by the Boothbay Region Land Trust; one suggestion was that it be given to the Schmid Preserve and reducing the preserve's budget by that amount. Smith asked for suggestions for a one-time expenditure by the Schmid board.

4. Land Acquisition, Boundaries and Roads

a. Lallis: Mike Smith, reporting on the Conservation Commission meeting, said that the potential purchaser of the three-acre lot on the Lallis property had inquired about acquiring more land. Smith added that the property could not be further subdivided for five years. Smith had asked for suggestions for the use of the property. David Nutt asked the status of obtaining a right-of-way for a trail to replace the present trail which runs through a wet area and was told that the matter was still being discussed. Smith said solar was also discussed at the Budget Committee meeting; the town of Lemoine has leased 39 acres for solar and payments to the town range from \$48,000 to \$72,000 per year. Jim Beam gave a brief history of the Lallis property.

5. Public Relations and Stewardship – Andy Abello and Lisa McSwain

- a. Winter Use: Lisa McSwain reported little activity except when there was snow for skiing. She and Joe had done some clean-up. Bob Leone reported that Morris Tyson had purchased from the Town land adjacent to the preserve which the Town had acquired for back taxes.
- b. Promoting the Preserve: Brochures have been put in the post office, the kiosks and the school. The sign is being worked on.

6. Trails – Jim Beam and David Nutt

a. Volunteer Hours: Board members will report volunteer hours to Lisa McSwain. Laura Lubelczyk suggested scheduling workdays farther in advance. Andy Abello commented that notices of scheduled workdays on the preserve used to appear in the newspaper. Laura suggested putting notices on the website as well as in the newspaper. Smith said Coastal Community grants will be discussed at the next meeting which could possibly be used for bridges.

b. Meadow Brook Bridge: On the “To Do” list.

7. Other Business – none

8. Public Input and Comment – none

9. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.