

Town of Edgecomb
Minutes for Schmid Preserve Advisory Board Meeting
June 16, 2021, 6:30 p.m.
Lisa McSwain's house at 198 Old County Road

1. Call to Order

Lisa McSwain called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Members present were Andy Abello, Laura Lubelczyk, Lisa McSwain, Rick Nelson, David Nutt and Rebecca Schaffner and Selectman Mike Smith.

2. Chairperson's Report

- a. Review of May 2021 Minutes: David Nutt moved to accept the minutes as written. Vote 6-0-0.
- b. Next Meeting: September 15, 2021.

3. Selectman's Report

Mike Smith reported that the contract for the management plan had been signed and a deposit was made. Work will begin the middle of July. Lisa will notify board members before work starts in case anyone wants to meet with Barrie.

4. Land Acquisition, Boundaries, Roads

- a. Acquisition of Abbott Property is still pending. Lisa McSwain has updated Alice Abbott on the status.

5. Trails

- a. Current trail condition: Rick Nelson reported he had met with Tom ? from Kieve. They will be building two bridges with the materials that had been stashed for that purpose. They will also weedwhack the field and do some clearing on the Scout's trail extension. He said work would begin the next week.
- b. Purchase of supplies before July 1 when budget runs out: Lisa McSwain said that of the \$931 left in the budget, she had spent \$709 on gravel. Becky Schaffner gave the selectmen a bill for \$75 for large map printing for reimbursement in the current budget. Suggestions for the remaining \$150 included supplies for the bridge (fasteners) and acrylic to cover the maps.

6. Mapping

- a. Becky Schaffner passed around a draft map of the preserve. Copies of the map will be posted on the kiosks and at Town Hall. New brochures will feature the new map and will be available at the kiosks. It was suggested that brochures also be left in nearby shops (bagel and ice cream). Laura Lubelczyk asked that the map be saved as a pdf for the preserve records.

7. Other Business

- a. Management plan/grant/invasive species: Lisa suggested that the board work on the invasive species survey even though it could not be included in the management plan as it was not done by a professional. She said bittersweet and honeysuckle need to be cleaned out, especially between Mt. Hunger North and the River-Link spur. Mitigation funds can be applied for after the management plan is completed.
- b. Endowment Plan: The board will work on the endowment plan in the fall.
- c. Volunteer Hours: Lisa has been trying to log volunteer hours.
- d. Newspaper article: Bill Pearson (Boothbay Register) interviewed Lisa for an article on the preserve. Lisa was able to edit the article before publication.

8. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.