McLean Land Management Committee Meeting Minutes, February 11, 2009 Conference Room 4, Town Hall

<u>Members Present</u>: Ellen O'Brien Cushman, Harlan Carere, Martha Moore, Wesley Ward, Richard Pichette, Michele Gougeon, Steve Kidder

Others Present: Jeanne Mooney, Roger Wrubel, Dix Campbell, Anne Paulsen, Kit Dreier, Tom Grimble, Eric Cosman, Helga Cosman, Walter McLaughlin, Rosalie Kerr

- 251 Mill Street: Ellen provided an update on the plans for demolition and possible parking lot construction. She is working with Glenn Clancy, Director of Community Development on the RFP. Martha Moore suggested that perhaps Joe Hibbard, resident and landscape architect, would be willing to lend expertise to the design of the new entrance and property identity. LMC voted to endorse the approach, Martha will contact Joe. Wes noted that TTOR finds the recommended proposal consistent with the CR and would waive enforcement to allow the demolition.
 - Endowment to The Trustees of Reservations (TTOR): After a brief discussion (follow up to December conversation/vote) invoice was presented, motion made, seconded, the LMC voted to pay the invoice presented by Wes Ward in the amount of \$20,000.00 for the Conservation Restriction endowment: 6 Yes, 1 Abstain (Ward as employee of TTOR) Ellen will process the invoice with the Town of payment.
 - "Teen Gathering spot" along Trail 1 at Trail C intersection. Ellen has written to the Police Chief to discuss policing and enforcement. Drinking, litter, trees cut down.
 - Cosman correction: Wes Ward In an effort to correct a mistake in the map that shows the Conservation Restriction covering all of the land transferred to the Cosmans, versus the land up to the stone wall, the attorneys for TTOR, Cosman, McLean and Town are discussing the best method to record the correction. Options range from an Attorney Affadavit to a full amendment to the Conservation Restriction. Once an approach is agreed by the parties, TTOR will discuss and review with State Environmental Affairs Office. Wes remarked that TTOR Oversight Committee has already recommended to the Board of TTOR to vote the correction noting that there was never any intention to restrict the improved land on the Cosman side of the stone wall. Motion to make the correction of the mistake and follow advice of the team of lawyers, while still upholding the other provisions of the original Cosman deed. Also would like to apprise Town Meeting of the details at an appropriate stage. Vote: 5 Yes, 2 Abstain (Carere noting that he didn't have enough knowledge of the original deal, and Ward, as the proponent of the correction on behalf of TTOR)
 - Trail 12A Alternate: Brief discussion, desire to set a date for a walk of Trail 12A Alternate so it can be voted and added to the maps.
 - Naming of the property: a discussion will be held at a future meeting. Ellen will request opinion of Town Counsel on rights, process, etc. for the next meeting.
 - Gate: Language of the sign on the gate to be installed on Concord Ave was voted unanimously
 - 2 Town of Belmont Conservation Land

Motorized Vehicles Prohibited

Sign should also show Town Seal and be made of reflective material. Ellen will send language and authorization to Peter Castanino of DPW to arrange installation of gate and sign.

Next meeting of the McLean Land Management Committee will be March 11^{th} . Meeting adjourned at 8:45~p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ellen O'Brien Cushman Chairman