

City of Portland | Parks, Recreation and Facilities Management

Ethan Hipple, *Director*

Alex Marshall, *Director of Parks*



Land Bank Commission April 10, 2024 Meeting Minutes DRAFT

Call to Order

Present Commission Members:

Baxter Miatke, Robert Foster, Daniel Herzlinger, Patrizia Bailey (Chair), Michael Scrameyer, Jon Kachmar, Alaina Chormann

Not Present:

Simon Rucker, City Councilor Anna Trevorror

Staff:

Ethan Hipple (Parks, Recreation, and Facilities Director), Doug Roncarati, Jessica Teesdale

Citizen Comment Period

Pat Bailey opened the floor for public comment. The following people spoke: Robert Benak (North Deering), Johanna Kearns (Windsor Terrace), Clare Hammond (Lenox St), Michelle Zichella (Watson St), Glenn Morse (Windsor Terrace)

Agenda Items

Acceptance of amended Meeting Minutes: March 13, 2024

Motion made by Jon Kachmar seconded by Daniel Hertzlinger. Passage 7-0 (Simon Rucker and Anna Trevorror not present)

New Business

Election of Officers:

Pat Bailey nominated

Chair- John Kachmar

Secretary-Simon Rucker

Treasurer-Baxter Miatke

Parks Commission Liaison-Robert Foster

Motion made by Pat Bailey, seconded by Jon Kachmar. Passage 7-0 (Simon Rucker and Anna Trevorror not present)

Secretary Report

Simon Rucker not present. Table COTAPC list to next full meeting (June 2024)

Treasurer Report

Current account balance \$450,389.

PRF will provide a rough budget at the June meeting to include what Land Bank maintenance funds can be used for. Land Bank can use up to 10% of operating budget to cover costs to maintain Land Bank property.

Old Business

Stroudwater Dock

Baxter M. is seeking quotes for the project. The encroached boat has been removed from the location. A fence was discussed as an enhancement to the parcel.

Site Locations for May Meeting

May meeting date May 8, 2024 5pm

Quarry Road, Davis Pines, and Murray Street were chosen. Meeting will be publicly noticed and will meet in person at 212 Canco Rd.

Communications and Parcel Updates

Parks Division Report

Ethan Hipple provided an update on damage from the storms on 3.30.2024 and 4.4.2024. City crews are working around the clock to clear storm debris from the storm damage. Tree planting season will begin the week of 4.10.2024. Crews will shift to tree planting and then come back to clean up. \$12,000 grant from Land for Maine's Future related to improvements to trails at North Deering Park. Community opportunists are bringing debris to curb. City staff is only clearing storm debris from city owned trees.

Parks Commission Report

The April Parks Commission meeting was canceled due to the winter storm on April 4th. There is a Committee Workshop scheduled for 4/16/2024 to plan the Greenspace Gathering.

High Priority Parcels

Hope Ave parcel was discussed during the citizen comment period. Robert Benak provided citizen comment in support of the Land Bank acquiring the land. Baxter provided an update that the property is owned by a developer and was purchased for just under a million dollars. Planning division review of the developers plans is in process.

Windsor Terrace/Kensington parcel was discussed during the citizen comment period. This property is currently owned by Glen Morse. Neighbors that spoke during citizen comment

expressed support to keep the land as open space.

Glen Morse asked clarifying questions about the Land Bank interest in the property.

Commissioner requests for Agenda Items

Land Bank maintenance funds memo–Ethan will put together a list of items that LB funds can be used for.

COTAPC list merge

Windsor Terrace scorecard

Murray St. Scorecard

Land Home Scorecard

Adjournment