

## Sunset Committee Meeting Minutes

**Location:** Chebeague Island School  
**Date:** 9/21/2015  
**Present:** Donna Damon, Paul Belesca, Susan Stranahan, Sam McLean, Mary Holt (chair), Thor Peterson, Peter Pellerin  
**Absent:** Carol White  
**Public:** Carol Sabasteanski (also Secretary), Steve Hinchman, Jim and Roseann Stewart, Marjorie Stratton, Town Administrator

Chair, Mary Holt, called the meeting to order at 5:34 PM.

### Change in Committee Membership

Mary acknowledged that Will Lund has resigned from the Committee. She expressed thanks for his support and knowledge.

Mary also welcomed Donna Damon as a public member of the Committee and Peter Pellerin as the Board of Selectmen representative.

### Minutes of Previous Meeting

Mary asked Carol to read the minutes of the May 4, 2015 meeting. Following, a motion was made (Stranahan), seconded (Damon), and unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2015 meeting.

### Committee Discussion

The meeting did not follow the agenda. Following are major comments/questions that were raised.

- Jim Stewart asked why paper streets were not on the map distributed at the meeting.
  - Note: the committee asked them to be removed for the purposes of the Phase 2 discussion.
- Jim Stewart raised his concern that the issue of access to the town land over his land has not been resolved. The chair reminded Mr. Stewart that the access discussion is in the hands of the Board of Selectmen, not the Sunset Committee. Jim should talk with the town.
- The Wind and Wave Study
  - Is still in draft form, we need to approve it at our next meeting. Dustin has made the requested adjustments/clarifications.
  - Discussion about the reach used in the study (Basket Island)
- Steve Hinchman introduced himself and his areas of expertise. He commented that the studies will not tell you if there is a “show stopper”
- Donna commented that the Sunset Committee came out of the recommendations of the Comprehensive Plan. Its purpose was to answer the question of what possible uses the land has, and make a recommendation to the town.
- Mary emphasized that the Committee has not reached any conclusions as to the best use of the property.
- Paul said that before we move to Phase 3, we need concrete deliverables.
  - Note: the Committee has approved Phase I deliverables and Phase 2 deliverables are in the hands of the committee – M&M has provided drafts and is waiting for final approval
  - M&M has provided several variations of the maps at the request of the committee.
- Donna has been reviewing the Archeological report but has not submitted her comments to the vendor. Approval was tabled.
- Marjorie noted that she is unable to draw down last \$10,000 in grant money until the committee approves the outstanding Phase 2 reports

- Delays in the completion of Phase 2 were discussed:
  - State involvement extended the time (problem with converting data)
  - Archeological study – committee approved more in depth study which took more time. There were also delays due to weather.
- Discussion on which subdivision should be used.
  - Note: We need to go by the 1907 subdivision. The Town Attorney said the 1916 plan has no standing because no lots were sold.
- Paul and others criticized the map provided – that it did not have references
- Pier remains at Sunset are not the original pier – this was a wharf built by a local citizen years later.
- Paul criticized the document control.
- Discussion on including paper streets in the map – they will potentially have an impact on the use of the land.
  - Note: the streets were removed at the committee’s request. However, we did ask M&M to show on the map where the paper streets intersected the town’s property.
- Peter asked if we could post more information on the town website
  - No decision was made
- The committee asked for copies of all maps and studies on a CD and on paper
  - Town hall has Phase 1 on a CD
  - Mary will ask Dustin to provide Phase 2 findings on a CD
    - Dustin should identify which items are draft items

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:40PM.

Respectfully submitted,



#### **Amendment to Minutes**

A member of the public requested that the minutes be amended as shown below. The Committee agreed to add the amendment to the minutes at their 12/7/2105 meeting.

- Jim Stewart asked why paper streets were not on the map distributed at the meeting.  
**Amended to:**
- Jim Stewart asked why paper streets and all of the lots were not on the map distributed at the meeting.
- Jim Stewart raised his concern that the issue of access to the town land over his land has not been resolved. The chair reminded Mr. Stewart that the access discussion is in the hands of the Board of Selectmen, not the Sunset Committee. Jim should talk with the town.  
**Amended to:**
- Jim Stewart re-stated the access to the town property is a deeded right of way which existed prior to the towns purchase. Other attendees asked about access issues and Donna said access discussion is with the board of selectmen.