Sunset Committee

Public Meeting

June 27, 2016 at 7PM
Island Hall
Agenda

• Introduce Sunset Committee
• List goals of this meeting
• Report on results of studies conducted
• Obtain your input on best use
• Next steps
Present Committee Members

– Mary Holt, Chair
– Paul Belesca, Vice Chair
– Donna Damon (previously Board of Selectmen Representative)
– Sam McLean
– Carol Sabasteanski, Secretary and CTC Representative
– Thor Peterson
– Carol White, Planning Committee
– Peter Pellerin, Board of Selectmen Representative
Past Committee Members

– Beth Howe, Planning Committee
– Ken Hamilton
– Will Lund
– Susan Stranahan, CTC Representative
– John Wilson
– Tom Calder
Goal of This Meeting

- To inform the public of the reasons for the Sunset Committee, the Committee’s research plan, and results of work completed thus far.
- To obtain public input on best uses for the Sunset property.
Why Town got property

• Town of Cumberland commissioned a Landings Committee to do comprehensive study to locate property with deep water access and space for suitable short and long term parking.

• Sunset Landing was the only suitable parcel that met the criteria.

• Purchased by Town of Cumberland from a private party in 1992.
Sunset and the Comprehensive Plan

- Town of Chebeague developed a Comprehensive Plan finalized in 2011
- Plan was accepted at June 2011 Town Meeting
- 136 Recommendations made in final report
- Recommendations 86-88 are relevant to the Sunset property
## Comprehensive Plan
### Recommendations regarding Sunset

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TASK LIST VOTED BY BOARD OF SELECTMEN ON 9/11/2013

A. Evaluate the Town property shown on the tax maps as Map I5 Lot 9 commonly known as Sunset Landing and develop a long range plan for the property that best serves the Chebeague community.

B. Develop a research plan in conjunction with the Board of Selectmen.

C. Hold public meetings to solicit input from all aspects in the community.

D. Involve committees, organizations and other interested parties in all phases of the plan development and implementation.

E. Submit interim plans to the Capital Planning and Finance committee and the Board of Selectmen by its regular December meeting of each year for the purpose of raising and/or expending funds in the following fiscal year.

F. Submit the long range plan to the Board of Selectmen who shall bring it before Town Meeting for adoption.*

*Item F was removed from the Task List by a Vote of the Board of Selectmen on March 9, 2016. Board of Selectmen directed the Committee to end its efforts after obtaining public input and make final report to the Board of Selectmen as soon as possible.
Defining the Scope/Selecting Vendor

• Conferred with experts to identify areas needing investigation
  – Spoke with engineers, surveyors, and officials in local towns for input

• Developed and distributed Requests for Proposal to multiple firms – scheduled presentations – recommended vendor to Selectmen
  – RFP sent to eight firms – five responses received – three presentations
  – Milone and MacBroom recommended to and approved by the Board of Selectmen in March 2014
Committee’s Research Plan

• Work divided into three phases
  – Phase 1: Conduct studies on the land
    • Hold public meeting to report results
  – Phase 2: Conduct studies on the water
    • Hold public meeting to report results
  – Phase 3: Solicit public input on best use of property

*Original Plan:* At the conclusion of the three phases, the Committee would provide recommendations to the Board of Selectmen for long range plans for the best use of property.

*Current Plan:* Provide report to Board of Selectmen of findings without recommended long range plan for best use of property.

Committee’s research plan was approved by Selectmen in March 2014
Report on Studies Conducted in Phases One and Two
Studies in Phase One

• Boundary/Topographic Survey (Paul Belesca)
  – Access to Property (Peter Pellerin)
• Wetlands Delineation (Sam McLean)
• Vernal Pool Assessment (Sam McLean)
• Archeological Study (Donna Damon)
Boundary Survey and Topography
Wetlands and Vernal Pools
Archeological Studies

Figure 17: Excavation Locations, Surface Collections, and Above Ground Features within the Sunset Landing Project Area, Chebeague Island, Maine
Studies in Phase Two

• Prehistoric Archeological Investigation (follow up from Phase One) (Donna Damon)
• Eelgrass Survey (Mary Holt)
• Bathymetric Survey (Thor Peterson)
• Wind and Wave Analysis (Thor Peterson)
Bathymetric Survey
Wind and Wave Study

Wind Speed (Knots)

- Wind data collected from NDBC Station 44007 & Portland International Jetport
- Data Start Date: 1/1/1950
- Data End Date: 12/31/2014
- Data was not collected between 1972-1996

Legend:
- 1 - 4
- 4 - 7
- 7 - 11
- 11 - 17
- 17 - 21
- 21 - 25
Your Ideas?

• Write your top 2 suggestions on index cards
• Committee will collect responses
• Suggestions will be written on easel pad
Let’s take a break!
Next Steps

• Develop community survey which incorporates your input
• Survey the community
• Tabulate results
• Final report to Board of Selectmen
Thank You!