

DATE: May 9, 2024  
TIME: 2:37 PM

**Land Management Committee for Lone Tree Hill**

**Minutes for Wednesday, April 3, 2024**

Attending:

Members: Michael Macht-Greenberg, Tom Grimble, Mark Smith, Radha Iyengar, Carl Solander, Adriana Bobinchock

Other Attendees: Leonard Katz, Adam Glick, Nancy Kougeas,

**Recurring Business**

1. Approval of past Minutes

- Minutes from March 13, 2024 were reviewed, edited and approved unanimously.

2. Review and Approve any Invoices

- Town of Belmont DPW for tree removal: \$2641.28 ... approved
- Town of Belmont – creation and installation of No Dumping sign at LTH: \$120 ... approved unanimously pending Radha going to location and reviewing it directly.

3. Financial Update

- Discussed balance of accounts and if there are sufficient funds to cover desired services. There are sufficient funds to manage upcoming expenditures, with proper attention to cash flow over the next few months.

**Continuing Business**

4. Erosion on Coal Road - Lower section reported by Leonard

- Michael reported recent meeting of McLean personnel with Joe Hibbard. Discussed review of findings ongoing. McLean is looking at where on its property it might create barrier to help divert water flow away from the Coal Road.

5. Invasives Working Group Update

- Discussed work conducted by Parterre on March 16 as part of their eco training removing invasive species in area B5. Volunteers, under Joe Hibbard's supervision, will need to remove the remaining invasive species before the area can be treated with herbicide. Leonard may reach out to Joe Hibbard to discuss.

6. Update from NEMBA

a. Volunteer Work Plan 2024:

- Adam reported two trail maintenance dates on calendar – LTH May 19<sup>th</sup> and October 20<sup>th</sup>. Additionally, looking at a couple of dates in April to construct two kiosks (April 12/13), and then Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup> to install the kiosks. The kiosks will be installed at the Mill Street parking lot and at the bottom of Coal Road

b. Rules Signs

- Adam reported recent installation of rules signs at 6 locations.

c. Rerouting trails

- Discussion of speaking with TTOR about rerouting trails Trail C and at the Mill Street parking lot, extent of work required and what would be recommended.

7. Verizon Enclosure Unsecured - Update from

- McLean reported contacting Verizon to report Verizon enclosure needing maintenance. Radha will go to the site to observe status.

8. Dumping at Lone Tree Hill Mill Street Parking Lot

- No dumping sign installed.

9. Encroachment from Vernon Road Resident

- Tom emailed Ara, Town contact and will now go speak with him.

10. Volunteer Day –

- BCF/Judy Record – April 27<sup>th</sup>
- Discussion of obtaining permission for Tree Specialist to park at Summit Road for upcoming removal of dead trees and planting of saplings on the Volunteer Day.
- Belmont Day School would like to have students volunteer on May 17<sup>th</sup> and Leonard is available to lead the group and provide educational programming. Committee voted to approve.

11. Transfer from Joan Campbell Fund

- Deferred to next meeting when Steve and Ellen are present.

12. Zone 3 Boundary / McLean Boundary

- Discussion of problems of dumping in the area. Michael made statement of McLean personnel being prohibited from any dumping, and McLean having problems with other private companies parking vehicles and dumping materials in that area. Group will walk LTH property at next meeting to see if there is any dumping on LTH property.

13. Maintenance Monitoring

14. How to dissuade youth from creating vandalism while encouraging appropriate use of the property.

- Radha showed a series of photographs of furniture, cushions and other materials strewn about a structure built on LTH property. The waste was consolidated and the Town was asked to remove the litter.
- Leonard discussed his efforts to clean the area.
- A sign, agreed to at last meeting, to dissuade youth from creating vandalism has been installed on a tree.

Next Meetings

May 1<sup>st</sup> at 8 am: walk on LTH property. Meet at LTH Mill St. parking lot.