

Kimball Lake Cabin Committee
March 21, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Present: Paula S., Carl G., John C., Glen S., Mike P., Chris B., Heather M., Louise C., Ed K., Lee W., Ed F.,
Absent: Ricardo R. (attended Developer Steve Duprey meeting)

Meeting called to order 6:30 p.m. at the Slusser Center by acting chair, Lee Wilder.

The capital campaign letter garnered the interest of 3 new volunteers wanting to help out at the cabins. Lee will contact John Chandler, Ken Traum and Peter Minnehan when the work resumes in the spring.

Old Business:

1. Meeting minutes from 10.25.17 were approved as written.
2. Funds to date: KLC general fund \$18,088.53
Hopkinton Boy Scouts of America donated \$136.54
Capital Campaign \$3,710.50 minus \$470.81 for postage leaving \$3,239.69 available

3. Kimball Lake Cabin roadside sign:

Byron & Louise met with Morgan to incorporate the committee's suggestions into the sign design. Byron will build the copper roof at cost, solar powered LED lighting will be installed under roof on both sides, solar panel with post, converter, 2 batteries in locking box and timer will be included bringing the total costs of the sign to \$3,100.

Paula will discuss with Neal about using \$2,000 from the Recreation maintenance fund. The committee voted to spend funds from the KLC account not to exceed \$1,100 toward the sign.

Paula will contact Morgan to give the go ahead with building the sign. Before the sign is installed wooden stakes will be placed to mark the location and Paula will contact Dig Safe.

Lee will work with Neal & Marie to get an agreement in writing to place the sign on her property.

4. Cabin #3 progress to date:

The cabin boys have not worked out at the cabins since winter but will be gearing back up this spring. Porch, railings, handicap ramp, new wiring including smoke alarm and emergency lights have been completed. Window repairs and new screens have been done and chinking to the south wall.

A tarp was placed on cabin #2 as it was leaking badly. New tarp put on outside lumber pile.

Roofs on cabins 3 and 4 were propped up for winter snow load.

Chris B. will schedule a work session with other local contractors & committee members to install the metal roof on cabin #3, then cabins #2 and 4. Metal for those roofs made possible by a generous anonymous donation.

The committee voted to remove the added on pump house from cabin #3 because it is causing water damage from the rain backplash.

Carl and Dave White installed 2 new lights on the pond. Paula has ordered a 3rd light that will need to be installed.

5. Schedule of events for 2018:

There has been increased interest on using the Kimball Lake recreation area. Some new programs may include kayak/canoe rentals if extra lifeguards can be hired. Plan on having another BBQ late September or early October. Periodic email blasts will be sent out to the community encouraging residents to use the cabins and recreation area. Annual events will continue throughout the year.

6. Results from the Kimball Lake Cabin surveys:

Louise & Paula just received the folder of surveys that were mailed in so were not able to give the committee an update at this time. Louise will consolidate the surveys received to date and email the committee the results.

7. Hopkinton "New Cemetery Lot" progress:

Lee updated the committee on the discussions that have been ongoing regarding the 10.8 acres that is for sale located across from the Hopkinton Fire Station. The Conservation Commission is interested in purchasing the steep slope portion of the property to protect the view of the lake. Main Street property owners are interested in purchasing the front parcel that is swampy and the cemetery trustees would like to purchase the upper flat portion of the property. Lee will keep us informed as the talks continue to develop on purchasing the property.

8. Master Plan planning notes:

The committee recapped the master plan notes to prioritize the tasks that will be undertaken this upcoming year. The goal is to purchase 4 more Adirondack chairs, continue the work on the handicap shoreline platform, relocate the port-a-john over to the flat area by the kiosk, have the handicap toilet available earlier & later in the season with the hopes of keeping it year round. Ed F. and Ed K. will fertilize the lawn this spring. Carl will install an exterior GFI outlet on the back corner of cabin #3. Continue work on cabin #3 and finish staining cabin #1. Parking area behind big cabin (#1) needs to be re-aligned.

9. Kimball Lake Cabin Crusaders:

Paula will be meeting with Barb Jenkins to discuss the involvement of the Kimball Lake Cabin Crusaders. They would like a specific project to fundraise toward so the committees offered to have them raise funds for the chimney liner needed for the 2nd fireplace in cabin #1. Chris received an estimate of approximately \$1,000 to purchase all materials needed. Paula will ask if they would be interested in helping us presell tickets for this falls BBQ. A date will be set for the annual spring cleanup.

10. Recognition Plaque:

The plaque needs to be updated to add new donors from the past year. The Class of 2013, HR Clough Davis Family, Hopkinton Boys Scouts of America and an anonymous donor will be added. The list of donations will be reviewed to determine if others need to be added.

11. Other:

Jim Sindelar and Louise brought to the committee's attention that the Soo Nipi magazine wrote a story about the Kimball Lake Cabins.

Louise had given a copy of the September 1965 photo of a "patrolman" standing in the street next to the old Kimball Lake Cabins sign, to Chief Pecora. He has asked several people and will talk to Dana Daniels & Bill Gay next time he sees them to see if we can identify the patrolman.

New Business:

1. Lee received an email from Marie Talbot of Walker Hound Window Company wanting to know if bids are still being considered for professional services. Lee will let her know that we will contact them if their services are needed.

2. There have been complaints of vehicles trespassing beyond the HVG Trail gate in order to access the secluded area at the back of Kimball Lake. They are driving into the Kimball Wood Development and cutting across the field that has the large chimney. Lee & Chris will talk to the property owner about placing boulders on the edge of the field where they are exiting as a means to discourage this activity.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Next meeting will be scheduled on an as needed basis.

Respectfully submitted by Louise Carr
Secretary KLCC