

**MOUNTAIN LAKES DISTRICT
MASTER PLAN COMMITTEE**

**District Office
February 28, 2017
*UNAPPROVED***

Present: Don Dubrule, Mike Roberts, Mark Johanson, Don Vogt, Robert Roudebush, Lorraine King, Ken King, , and Tara Bamford from North Country Council were present.

Chairman Don Dubrule opened the discussion at 6:05 PM.

Minutes – The minutes of December 20, 2016 were approved as presented by motion of Roberts/Johanson. The January 31, 2017 discussion summary was reviewed and no corrections noted.

Facilities: The second working draft of the facilities section was discussed. Some minor editorial changes and modifications to recommendations were suggested. There was discussion about French Pond Rd. Beach and White Mountain Drive Beach, and trash and private boats sometimes left there. A new recommendation was added to the Facilities as follows: 15. Ensure that all recreation areas and facilities continue to be maintained in a safe, clean, attractive condition. The suggestion was made that if a roof is built over the ice rink, it really could be a year-round pavillion, e.g., with picnic tables and a fireplace or grill.

Some joint activities are taking place with the Haverhill recreation department such as winterfest and a moonlight snowshoe. It was reported that there are trees down on the hiking/Nordic trails.

The lakes were discussed and the understanding that there is some obligation to make some effort to protect them as potential water supply because they are artificial impoundments. Tara offered to ask DES for more information on this issue. The lake water quality affects the related groundwater that supplies the main well because it is an infiltration well. It was agreed to add that point to the water supply discussion, along with the fact that the quality of the water affects treatment costs. The infiltration bed has become less efficient over the years and the state doesn't support updating it; it will be phased out instead. The water supply system is not big enough to make it viable to build a surface water treatment plant to enable use of the lakes themselves as water supply.

It was agreed there should be a capital improvement plan with capital reserve funds linked to the priority projects.

Discussion continued on roads, who owns the roads the town hasn't accepted, if and how permits are, and should be, granted to build on them.

Next steps: Don will check on the information needed for the emergency preparedness/hazard mitigation section update. Ken will provide revised language for the paragraph on the spillway. Tara will incorporate those and the other revisions discussed at this meeting into a revised draft.

Next meeting: The next meeting was scheduled for March 28 at 6 PM to continue working on recommendations, and to consider scheduling another public meeting to get input on some key recommendations.

The meeting adjourned at 8 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Tara Bamford