

## **Dark Skies Meeting Minutes 3/4/2026**

Present: Frank Clark, Buzz Constable, Sherry Haydock, Susan KatzSliski, Kathleen Lomatoski, Craig Nicholson, Diana Smith. Nonmembers: Louise Bergeron.

The minutes from the meetings on February 18 and 25th were approved

The Dark Skies Subcommittee will meet with the Select Board on Monday, March 9 to review the final version of the Dark Skies amendment.

There will be a public hearing sponsored by the Planning Board on the Dark Skies proposal, which will take place on March 10. The meeting has been publicized by postings on the Lincoln Squirrel and on Lincoln Talk.

Susan KatzSliski and Kathleen Lomatoski have formulated a lighting questionnaire for Lincoln residents. Six members of the Dark Skies Committee have completed the questionnaire and have given feedback. Susan will develop a link to be made available to Lincoln residents and will create a QR code for the survey. The questionnaire will be publicized through Lincoln Talk, the Lincoln Squirrel, Select Connect, Parks and Recreation, the Agricultural Commission Newsletter, C Free, the Garden Club, the Bike Committee, and Codman Farm.

Buzz will work with LLCT and Mass Audubon to obtain their endorsement for the Dark Skies amendment. Frank will discuss the amendment with the Historical Commission in order to obtain their endorsement. Sherry will speak to the new director at DrumlinFarm.

Sherry is preparing a PowerPoint presentation for Town Meeting. She will distribute this to members of the Dark Skies Committee prior to Town Meeting for feedback. Members of the committee will suggest Lincoln residents who could participate in a focus group to review the presentation prior to Town Meeting.

Craig reported that Brandon Kelley is available to meet with Jane Slade on March 6 to discuss the lighting upgrades for the Safety Building. There is funding available to cover the cost of the retrofit.

John Metivier has delivered a formal letter to the manager of the Commons stating what lighting changes are required and has provided timelines for dealing with the various fixtures that are noncompliant.

The Committee discussed tabling at town meeting. Sherry will contact Dan Pereira and Peggy Elder to reserve a table. Diana Smith will demonstrate some of the hardware previously demonstrated by Frank. Louise will update pamphlets and Work with the Conservation Commission to get them printed.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Haydock