

Gaysville Riverfront Park: Proposed Site Improvements

Summary for Town Meeting: March 5, 2019

Town Meeting vote:

Article 10: "Will the Town vote to approve the proposed plans for development of the former Gaysville Campground property?"

Property overview:

The Gaysville Riverfront Park includes approximately 30 acres of public land downstream of the Gaysville Bridge. The proposed park site is comprised of 2 adjacent parcels:

- The former Gaysville Campground property, which was purchased by the town after Tropical Storm Irene using FEMA funding = ~20 acres
- The former Hull property, which was donated to the town to be incorporated into the proposed park in honor of the Alcorn/Hull families = ~9.5 acres

Riverfront Park improvement goals:

1. To create a park for all members of the Stockbridge community to use and enjoy.
2. To maintain a natural place with ample opportunity for outdoor recreation and river use.
3. To develop a park that is sustainable and not a financial burden to the town.

Proposed site improvements:

- Select a name for the park – for signs and maps
- Clean-up site – remove downed trees, thorny brush, and trash
- Improve access to the river in 2 locations – for boating, fishing, and swimming access
- Build walking trails – for passive, non-motorized recreation; trails will be dog-friendly
- Maintain open field for recreation – would need to be mowed on somewhat regular basis
- Install signs – wayfinding sign at entrance and informational signs on property
- Install a gate – to limit access to site at desired times
- Design & build parking lot – would prefer parking lot to be visible from road to discourage illegal activity
- Construct enclosure for portable toilet near parking lot – instead of permanent restroom facility
- Build open-sided pavilion – for picnic tables, events, etc
- Install picnic tables and BBQ grills – near the pavilion
- Develop an ATV Trail – to connect existing trails on either side of the property







Get involved:

- ✓ Help us pick a name for the park: **write your ideas on the sheet next to the site map**
- ✓ Join the group of community members who are discussing site improvements and next steps: **write your e-mail address on the sheet next to the site map**

Gaysville Riverfront Park – Preliminary Design Map



Legend

-  - River Access
-  - Open Sided Pavilion
-  - Access Gate
-  - Parking Lot (6 -10 spaces)
-  - Informational Signage
-  - Enclosed Portable Toilet