

**Barrington Trails Committee**  
**Draft Minutes 12/8/2020**

This meeting was conducted via Zoom due to Covid 19 meeting restrictions.

Meeting was called to order at 6:45pm.

Present: Chair Charlie Tatham, Jack Gale, John Wallace, Denis Beaulieu, Elaine Sullivan, Anne Melvin

Minutes of 11/10 were approved as amended.

Old Business:

Updates: The bridge on Hopalong Way was completed.

The weekend walkabout on 11/14 had 20 participants. Jack, Anne, Denis and Charlie gave demonstrations of winter hiking clothes and equipment.

The Town administrator gave permission for the Trails Committee to have a logo.

John will discuss how to divide up SATWaSR trails for trail adopters.

There are 12 signed up already for the 12/12 weekend walkabout. Someone will get there early to direct parking in case there are excess vehicles.

This year's moonlight walk will be on New Year's Eve at Brasen Hill starting at 8pm.

New Business:

We discussed changing our meeting week. It will probably change to the 4th Tuesday. TBA.

Trail issues: Dead hemlock near the gate at the Tibbetts Rd parking area. Charlie would like it dropped to block access to the trail snowmobilers use to get in. The gate needs to be opened so that snowmobilers won't use illicit trails. Charlie will try to find someone to do the chopping down/blocking. There are trees down on Calef West trails. Charlie will remove them. John e-mailed BYA to see if the Smoke St access to the Barrington Trail will continue to be blocked by a gate. If so can people park on the side of the road.

The January weekend walkabout will not be held because of the moonlight walk.

Jack had several ideas for his "Reasons to take a hike" campaign. This promotion will include advice about trail etiquette and hiking gear.

Connor will be asked to clarify the relationship between the Trail Committee and the Conservation Commission.

Next meeting 1/12/2021 unless it is changed to the 4th Tuesday.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Melvin