

The Barrington Trails Committee meeting on 6/14/22 was held at the ECLC.

Meeting was called to order at 6:44.

Present: Chair Charles Tatham, Denis Beaulieu, Doug Winter, John Wallace, Anne Melvin, Jack Gale, Ted Bergeron

The minutes of May 10 were accepted as written.

Old Business:

Updates: there were 16 people at the May 14 bird walk. Many bird species were seen and heard.

13 attended the June 11 weekend walkabout. People enjoyed learning about the Tibbetts family history.

Water bars and stepping stones were placed on the Goodwill Trail and are working well. Cassandra Pearl, the SELT monitor viewed them and approved. It was stressed that the conservation easement deed on the Goodwill property dictates that any new trails or other changes need to be approved by the easement holder, SELT. There is a need for another work session on the water bars.

The bridge trail on SATWASR was rerouted.

Anne's bench was placed on the Hemlock Trail on Village Place.

There is a timber harvest on the Newhall easement which went across the Woodlot loop.

There was a discussion of what to use for the logo on the badge that will be given to trail trekkers who finish hiking all of the designated trails. The tricolor B was chosen.

John has made a list of what trails will be used. The certificate which will be given to the trail trekker along with the badge was approved.

There is a new Santa Claus on the Santa Claus Trail.

College student Tom Robbins wrote to Charlie looking to do community service this summer and help with the trails. Charlie suggested options such as invasives removal, setting up a tree ID trail on the Town Forest and repainting blazes to preserve the property lines around the 1400 acre Samuel A Tamposi water supply reserve.

New Business:

The recreation department has a new walking club for seniors that has been walking through the cemetery. The group meets at 11am on Wednesdays. We will encourage this group to use some of our trails.

We discussed plans for clearing the so-called unmaintained trail constructing a trail to connect it to the Bridge Trail on SATWaSR and giving it a proper name.

Weekend walkabouts: July 9 Denis will lead a walk on Turbocam. August 13 Jack will lead a walk on Calef West.

It was moved by Jack and seconded by Charlie that John be reimbursed for his purchase of stain in the amount of \$47.49.

John would like to take pictures of the middle school students with the signs they made for us.

However, the instructor did not get back to him and as school is about to end for the summer this will have to wait.

Next meeting is July 12 at the ECLC.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Melvin