

## Meeting Minutes June 23, 2021

PRESENT Scott Pim, Sandy Goodspeed, Todd Hathaway, Liz Wilson, Ben Bade, Dan

McCombs, Barbara Willis

**ABSENT** 

**GUESTS** Joe Trombley, Talia Kenny, John Scully, Steve Bailey

**ORDER** 7:02 p.m.

#### **VAPOTHERM TRAIL WORK DAY**

Talia Kenny explained Vapotherm's volunteer work day set for August 10 in the afternoon. She has numerous volunteers looking for trail or other work. The Members agreed to consider some potential options in the next week and circle back. Todd, Ben, and Scott will coordinate with Talia.

#### **PROPERTIES**

<u>Tilton Bridge</u>: John Scully is a lifetime Epping resident who uses ECC land regularly. He noticed several trees down across the trail, and wanted to volunteer to act as Trail Steward. The Members agreed to appoint John as Tilton Bridge Trail Steward. They also discussed monitoring of the property and John expressed willingness to be trained as a monitor. The Members asked John to take pictures so that we can do some outreach highlighting volunteer Trail Stewards. Thanks John!

<u>Low Park</u>: Todd reported that trail work is almost finished. It still needs weed whacking and regular stewardship as there is likely to be a need for regular maintenance. Steve Bailey also appeared to volunteer for some trail and other work. He will consider this project or other and get back to us.

<u>Hoar Pond</u>: Sandy reported that the Town is set to remove tree off Beniah Lane tomorrow.

<u>Mary Blair Park</u>: Todd reported that signs are being sandblasted now, will be painted next week, and set to be installed the following week.



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<u>Fox Run</u>: Todd looked at options for a picnic table and found one for \$149, but questioned whether it would last or be appropriately sized. The Members agreed to purchase the same type of table as at Low Park, up to \$500. Scott moved and Sandy seconded the motion, and the Members unanimously agreed. Todd will organize. The benches could also use replacement; perhaps another project for Mr. Bailey.

Dimond Hill: No update on timing of putting up more signs.

**Epping Crossing**: No update on the mitigation monitoring plan.

<u>Future trail work</u>: Todd and Ben will look for ideas. The Members agreed to consider this issue in connection with issues such a Wildlife corridors.

#### **ADMIN**

### <u>Tech and Finance Update</u>:

- \$60,275.17 in combined funds as of May 31. Clark Farm donation to SELT (\$15,000) has been deducted.
- Dan reported that he has been updating a budget spreadsheet and has two charges he is investigating.
- Library would like to put up photos from the contest. Sandy moved and Dan seconded a motion to contribute up to \$150 for duplicate prints to place in the Library to publicize the contest and show off Town lands. Dan will also ask past winners about borrowing their photo to put up in the library.

#### Outreach update:

- Scott provided Barbara with his bio.
- Barbara will be asking everyone else for bio info. She also asked everyone to answer three questions: Who am I? What are my skills and talents? What brought me to the ECC?
- Barbara completed the article for SUE.



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<u>Route 125 Improvement Project</u>: Liz drafter her response and posted to Google Drive. The Members did not have anything to add. Liz will submit.

#### **PLACEHOLDER ITEMS**

<u>Hoar Pond trails</u>: Site plan & park sign? The Members discussed issues with potential trail building, including water supply, wetlands, and extent of the property. A first step would be to add this property to John Clark's monitoring list to determine boundaries and inspect for encroachments.

Beard Sand Pit: No update

<u>George Falls Woods</u>: Trail work & park sign. This is one potential option for Vapotherm volunteer work. Todd will inspect the property.

<u>Fox Run</u>: Mounting alphabet trail signs; school outreach? Liz reached out to new science teacher and will follow up again now that school is out.

<u>Fox Run Intern Project</u>: Precast concrete weir. No update

**ADJOURN:** On motion from Todd, seconded by Sandy, the Members unanimously agreed to adjourn at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Todd Hathaway

Todd Hathaway, Secretary