

Land Stewardship Committee Meeting Minutes
October 20, 2010
Acton Town Hall

Present: Bettina Abe, Tom Arnold, Joan Cirillo, Peggy Liversidge, Nan Towle Millett, Ann Shubert (minute-taker), Heidi Sikina, Jim Snyder-Grant (chair), Laurie Ullmann

Meeting minutes: The September minutes were approved.

EMS Club Day event: EMS holds a Club Day event once or twice a year where all customers belonging to a local club get 20% off on their purchases that day. Jim and Tom spent some time there and did sell some of our guidebooks.

Meadows update: Jim was contacted by Laura Hanna, a recent UNH graduate, who wants to do environmental work. We need someone to research meadows. She will meet with Tom and Andy Magee and tell them what birds she has seen in the meadows and so forth.

Possible steward for Camp Acton: Bruce Rachman walks and jogs at Camp Acton. He is an Assistant Scoutmaster. Tom A. suggested that we invite Bruce to our next meeting.

Spring Hill “You Are Here” maps: It was voted and passed to have Philip put up temporary laminated “You Are Here” maps in various spots on the Spring Hill Conservation area.

Calendar for 2011 meetings: It was decided to continue meeting on the third Wednesday of the month at 4:00 P.M.

Parcel news: Laurie said he would clean up the blowdown at *Pratts' Brook* and the one at *Grassy Pond*.

Nagog Hill – Heidi is interested in adding a Blue loop trail on the east side of the parcel that heads off to Brewster Conant's land alongside the golf course. This may be too wet for a trail. Jim would like to walk this tangent and the Groener land with Heidi, Bettina, and Tom Arnold to investigate the possibility.

Camp Acton – Scout Alex Jones met with Bob Guba last week and set up string and measured for a boardwalk in a wet area at the west/back end of Camp Acton. Bob, Tom Tidman, and Bettina walked here last month and decided a boardwalk was needed.

Great Hill – Scout Niles Smith will be building a bridge over a little stream that has washed out and flooded in recent years. It is on the red trail that accesses the Route 111 parking lot behind Concord Family and Youth Services (380 Massachusetts Ave.). Bob Guba supervised the construction plans. Tom Tidman approved the project last spring.

Wills' Hole/Town Forest – Ken Davidson will be building a bridge or boardwalk over a muddy spot on the north side of the parcel between Nagog Park Drive and the junction of the blue and yellow trails.

The Committee is in favor of Eagle Scouts coming to committee meetings to explain their plans once

the design and approval have been finalized with Bob and Tom T.

The Committee decided that the list of Eagle Scout projects should be updated and prioritized at a future LSC meeting where both Bob Guba and Tom Tidman are present.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 17, at 4:00 P.M.

List of documents used: Documents that served as background for these discussions can be found at <https://doc.acton-ma.gov/dsweb/View/Collection-3713>

These documents are titled:

- Emails re: being lost at Spring Hill and Nagog (background for discussion of “You Are Here” maps)
- Parcel Updates