

**Land Stewardship Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**March 17, 2010**  
**Acton Town Hall**

Present: Bettina Abe, Joan Cirillo, Bob Guba, Philip Keyes, Peggy Liversidge, Nan Towle Millett, Rich Rhode, Ann Shubert (minute-taker), Heidi Sikina, Jim Snyder-Grant, Tom Tidman, Laurie Ullmann

Meeting minutes: The February minutes were approved.

High school Senior Work Day, April 30: At Nagog Hill there is wood chipping to do. Laurie may supervise this. The Jay Lane trail at Spring Hill needs lopping done. A supervisor is needed.

Quail Ridge work day: Philip asked that people who could help with lopping of the new trail connecting Nagog Hill with the Acorn Park neighborhood come on Thursday, March 18, at 2:00 pm. People are asked to bring loppers and hand saws.

Parcel news: At the *Canoe Launch*, Bettina picked up garbage. Topsoil and grass seed are needed to fill an area where a bulldozer made a hole.

The *Heath Hen Meadow* bridge looks like it is askew. Bettina will investigate.

The culvert at *Stonemeade* needs some filling where erosion has taken place.

The culvert at *Guggins* needs reconstructing. Bob suggested making a concrete and stone wall as part of the reconstruction.

The teepees at *Pratts Brook* are a concern. It looks like new twigs have been cut. Charlie Carlson suggests leaving a sign saying no branches should be cut. Bettina will remove the old monitor that is on the site.

Scout process list: Bettina has been updating an Eagle Scout Process List which describes the steps for working with prospective Eagle Scouts. Bob and Bettina will get together to facilitate this.

Eagle Scout projects: Bob is conferring with John Russell, who is going to construct some new boardwalk sections that will go over some large rocks next to the brook at Nashoba Brook.

Vincent Azzolino is going to construct a 30" wide, 80' long boardwalk from the Nagog Hill parking lot to the meadow gate.

At Town Forest, Joe Gagliano is going to construct 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/yellow trails.

Linda McElroy and Philip are going to supervise Ian Thaire, who will construct 100' of handicapped-accessible trail at the Wheeler Farm Restoration Site.

Bettina should be notified if anyone has an idea for an Eagle Scout project.

Pacy Land kiosk: There was some discussion as to whether or not a kiosk is necessary on the Pacy Land.

Uncovered wells: There are two, possibly three, uncovered wells at Wetherbee. There is also one uncovered well at Pratts Brook, one at Great Hill, and one at Wheeler Lane. The Wheeler Lane well has a heavy piece of concrete covering it. Bob and Tom will look at them and take steps to get all wells covered.

Storm damage: Tom said that if any of the lands have storm damage it should be reported to the Town as the Town might pay for the damage. Nan and Tom will get together on this.

Owl box at Guggins: One of Jim's New View neighbors wants to put an owl box up at Guggins near the New View homes.

Grassy Pond boardwalk: Bob would like to add a 16' extension to the boardwalk near the Newtown Road entrance. Bob was given approval to spend \$160 for the lumber for the project.

Ethics training: Jim will send out the link address so that committee members can fill out the form.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10. The next meeting will be held at 4:00 PM on Wednesday, April 20.