

Meeting called to order in the BOS Meeting Room at the Milford Town Hall at 7:05pm

**Present:**

Full members: Becky Lorette, Janet Urquhart. Alternate Member, Chris Costantino. Excused, Audrey Fraizer, Chair; Hub Seward, VChair; Kim Rimalover, Andy Hughes

**Minutes:** tabled for approval until the May meeting

**Discussion Items**

1. Expo planning
  - a. Contact Wild Bird Unlimited and Bedford Fields for 2014 Expo.
  - b. Finalized timing for setup and materials to have available
  - c. Costs have been covered by the exhibitors booth rental and sponsorships
2. 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday Hike – Janet will lead the April 27<sup>th</sup> hike at Mayflower/Patch Hill Town Forest. Hike will start at Shady Lane parking area. Chris will not be available
3. Mile Slip trail network map
  - a. Steve Erdody on the Trails Committee has created a map of existing trails and proposed additions to make a very well designed trail network at Mile Slip. The trails committee is pleased with it and told Steve to continue the work
  - b. Steve would like to change the trail blazing from painted blazes to painted step flashing signs. It will be easier to move a trail by removing a metal sign than to scrape off paint and repaint the scraped bark with a dark color. The trails committee thinks that Mile Slip is a good place to try a new process. There are multiple trails which would require more than our basic yellow, white and blue trail colors.
4. Mack Easement
  - a. Barbara Mack requested that her husband be able to cut 20 cords of firewood on their land which is under conservation easement.
  - b. The commission suggested that Chris call Barbara with the request that Ed Mack, husband, mark the trees that he wants to cut. The commission will plan a site walk to evaluate the selection, perhaps with the assistance of either Jon Nute, Dan Cyr or Dan Reed, Foresters.
  - c. Determine how Ed will remove the trees
  - d. Any damage to the trail must be repaired
5. IDR – Hutchinson Point (Ducal Development). Comments:
  - a. The commission would like to see a painted demarcation along the subdivision roadway that designates a walking lane.
  - b. The commission is glad to see the planned cross walk on North River Rd from the subdivision to the sidewalk and the Souhegan River Trail. Would the planning board consider putting a cross walk on Mont Vernon Street to connect the subdivision to the Mayflower/Patch Hill Town Forest.
6. Website
  - a. Becky had a difficult time finding the permit applications on line.
  - b. Can there be a search window on the home page?
  - c. Becky suggested using the OSHA website as an example of a site that successfully links applicants with the permits.

**Meeting adjourned** at 8:30 pm