

Conservation Commission

July 21, 2016

Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Jason Morrill, Traci Cipriano, Lauren Miller, Frank DeLeo, Julie Perlman and staff Betsy Yagla.

Unavailable: Tom Kenefick, Tim Kelley

At 7:35 p.m Jason Morrill called the meeting to order.

1. There was no public comment.
2. Volunteer Trail Master Mike Walter was unavailable to attend so commission member Frank DeLeo spoke on his behalf. Mr. DeLeo explained that the trail maps for Bishop East and Bishop West have been updated. Mike Walter is also working on re-doing trail head signs, Mr. DeLeo reported.

Betsy Yagla reported that the South Central Regional Council of Governments has updated the trail maps for all towns and that those maps will replace the Town's 10-year-old maps. The maps were printed before Mr. Walter was able to update the Bishop West & East maps, but the changes will be reflected online.

3. Traci Cipriano pointed out a typo in the May meeting minutes. "Motioned" should be "mentioned" in the Chairman's report. Mr. Morrill moved to approve the minutes with that change. Ms. Cipriano seconded. All in favor.
4. The Commission discussed the Town-owned property on Enoch Drive that the Town is considering selling because of ongoing homeowner association costs to maintain the access road. A small section of the blue trail is on the property and Mr. Morrill shared a new, official map of the property with the true location of the trail.
5. The Commission discussed Trail Walks.

On August 7 at 11 a.m., Frank DeLeo will lead a walk at Alice Newton along the Wepawaug Trail. In September, Traci Cipirano is tentatively scheduled to lead a walk on Sept. 17. In October, Jason Morrill will lead a walk at Massaro during the Family Fun Day. In November Lauren Miller will lead a walk.

6. The commission discussed the Open Space Plan draft.
7. Chairman's report. Mr. Morrill shared that he received a letter from the state Department of Energy and Environmental Protection about the Army Corps of Engineers and a CACIWIC newsletter.

8. As 8:55 p.m. Julie Perlman made a motion to adjourn. Lauren Miller seconded. All in favor.