

6/7/07

Conservation Commission Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Present: Chris Dawson, Chuck McGill, Pat Hechmer, Ben Ware

Discussed trails and work days

June 3<sup>rd</sup> work day went well

Do not do trail things on Sunday mornings in the future

Schulz trail – Plan was: Do work on it, put up signs at each end, take public out on it?

What maintenance is needed regularly on Schulz? Just mowing grass periodically?

Should we target another trail for work in the fall? Goodrich possibly? Doing so would create one long trail with Schulz. Goodrich trail access is overgrown, but otherwise in good shape.

Discussed what should trail signs look like? Name, distance, Rules?, map of trail or a flip box with maps?

Does the select board allow ATVs and other motorized vehicles on trails?

Rep. from Localmotion came, discussed their new “Trailfinder” and getting our trails onto it. Basically it allows a search for trails using what activity you want to do, and creates an overlay on Google Maps of the trails. Our concern is that with more people on the trails, there would need to be a lot more work done. For now, they are going to add our trails to the database, but not code them as available for any type of activity, so they won’t show up yet in search. Chris is going to go the select board meeting on the 28<sup>th</sup> to get approval for at least having them shown for hiking.

Discussed the need for the deputy chair position, looking to see if anyone currently on the commission would like it, if not then it will be advertised as a vacant position.

Pat volunteered to be representative to the Planning Commission in regards to open space mapping.

More t-shirts are in, and Julie has been selling more of them.

Farmer’s Market brochure is coming along slowly.

Discussed putting minutes, trail map, farmer’s market brochure onto new town web site

Julie will be selling t-shirts at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July in Westford

Meeting adjourned 8:10 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Benjamin Ware