

MINUTES

December 9, 2014
Barrington Trails Committee
Barrington Elementary School Library

Present: Chair Charlie Tatham, John Wallace, Denis Beaulieu, Anne Melvin
Absent: Marika Wilde, Matt Carpenter
Guests: Monique Lee, Alicia Lee and her sister

Call to Order: Chair Charlie Tatham called the meeting to order at 7:08pm

- 1) Approval of minutes of 11/18/14. The minutes were unanimously approved.
- 2) Old Business:
DES Permit acquisition is delayed due to the need for the Natural Heritage Bureau to make its determination that there are no endangered species to be disturbed. The Trails Committee Budget is in the 2014 town budget but not in the 2015 town budget. A bill needs to be submitted to Marcia for expenses. There was a suggestion that we make a request at the deliberative session for the trails budget to be put back in the town budget.
- 3) New Business:
Girl Scout Gold Award Proposal was presented by Alicia Lee who arrived at 7:35. Her mother and sister had arrived for the start of the meeting to report Alicia was delayed by another meeting. The Gold Award, counterpart to the Boy Scout Eagle Scout award is the highest honor of the Girl Scouts. Alicia is 17 and must complete her project this summer. She states she has submitted costs and plans for redoing the signage and amphitheater at the Barrington Town Forest. Her plans were discussed and suggestions made. She wants to have a walk on the trail and a picnic after completion. The cost will be around \$1,000. Permission will be requested from the selectmen for this project. The Conservation Commission is endorsing the project.
Trail Maintenance discussion included trail work that needs to be done and locations, Charlie talked about changes he has made on the Barrington Trail. He found a partially fallen tree near Turtle Pond that constitutes a hazard that needs to be taken down. The Newhall trails have trees bent over by the recent ice heavy snowfall that will be left as they are. Hopefully they will upright themselves. There are other trees that need attention with a chainsaw. The Pooh trail needs maintenance. The Kids of the River sign is gone and needs replacement as does the Town Forest sign.
John received a n e-mail from Boy Scout Trevor Bergeron who has \$150. left from his SATWaSR project. He will hold on to it.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm. Next meeting will be 2/10/15

Respectfully submitted,
Anne Melvin

