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Charlestown Conservation Commission meeting 21 May 12

Members Present: Steve Dumont, Jim Fowler, Woody Prouty, Dick Holmes, Mike Francis, Steve Neill (ex officio)

Called to order 7:07 P.M. by Steve Dumont chair minutes of 16 Apr 12 approved as written.

 Nature Trail update – the final encroachment agreement has been signed by Steve Neill. Steve Dumont will mail back to the state for their signature. Steve Dumont is working on the excavation permit.

Dave Edkins forwarded a link for a Recreational Trails Program grant. Much discussion, decided that it would be useful for future trail work.

- 2) National Trail Day Steve Dumont exhibited posters from the National Trail's Alliance that included Charlestown and the Nature Trail work. They will be put up around town.
- 3) Halls Pond tree removal no change
- 4) Sams Hill Town Forest boundary marking completed, three plus boundaries found and painted, fourth ribboned.
 Hubbard Hill Forest walk completed, state marked the boundary between the state forest and the town's.
- 5) adopt-a-highway 31 people signed up. 112 bags collected.
- 6) GreenUp Day Bill for \$77.62 for Ralph's. Motion made and passed to pay the bill. Much discussion on success of GreenUp Day.
- 7) Easements
 - a. Memorandum of Understanding Sharon Francis provided a copy to CCC and Steve Dumont forwarded a copy to Steve Walker.
 - b. Steve Walker reports CCC has copies of Steve Walkers Field Visit Report.
 - c. Warming Hut according to Sharon Francis the warming hut is not on her property but on the property of Randy Adams of Unity.
- 8) Old Business
 - a. Connecticut River silt dump no change
 - b. Cumming Ave progress no change
 - c. Steve Neill briefed CCC of his and Chris Hemingway's visit with the Wetlands Council. The council accepted Larry Crocker's appeal. Chris Hemingway has acquired a lawyer. Much discussion.
- 9) Correspondence Steve Dumont reviewed correspondence received since last meeting.
- 10) Other Business
 - a. Dave Edkins sent an email to the CCC reminding us that all public meeting dates and places must be posted in two public places, on line and the Community Board.
 - b. Dick Holmes has been brushing out the Great Meadow Trail to prepare for the upcoming season of mowing. Needs help with moving the trail past a washout area.

adjourned 8:26 P.M.

minutes submitted by Jim Fowler secretary minutes approved by Steve Dumont chair

Steve Dumont date