

Fremont Open Space Advisory Minutes Aug 6, 2013

Approved November 4, 2013

- Meeting was convened at 7:00 PM. In attendance were J. Karcz, J. Downing, and D. Howland.
- Minutes of May 7, 2013 were approved.
- Discussion of projects approved and funded by CC
 - Kiosk for Oak Ridge North
 - Plans complete
 - Materials to be procured in Aug.
 - Fab offsite as much as possible
 - Final assembly and install in town forest in Sept.
 - Printing of durable maps for Oak Ridge
 - Additional arrow sign for Ridge trail - requires renovating the original trail
 - Cement for posts 6 and 7 in Oak Ridge
- After the above projects are completed they may be additional discussions concerning
 - Sponsor Sign Board for Glen Oakes parking lot.
 - Construction of simple bridges at Woodland trail in Glen Oakes, middle stream crossing (16') and "canyon" stream crossing in Oak Ridge between posts #9 and #4 (16').
 - Upgrading Oak Ridge to metal signs.
 - Signage for "NO" snowmobiles or ATV's.
 - J. Karcz wondered if it was feasible to make our own metal signs using a stenciling machine.
- Monitoring of Glen Oakes and Oak Ridge. Open Space group suggested quarterly, but even that could be a manpower issue at times. We discussed ways to try and automate the monitoring.
- Annual monitoring of all conservation easements held by the town. D. Howland reported to the Conservation Commission that the Open Space group was reluctant to take this on, although some of the members would be willing to participate.
- Thursday Aug 8th - public hearing on conservation easement for Oak Ridge.
- Fall Foliage Hike proposed for Oak Ridge South via Library
- There was considerable discussion about the upcoming logging operations in Glen Oakes as it relates to the public. Publicity, access, safety are all issues. Do we have to close all or part of Glen Oakes? When and where is the logging taking place? What condition can we expect the trail system to be in when they are finished? How can we protect the trail signage that we have in place? The Conservation Commission should address these issues before logging commences.
- Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

NEXT MEETING Nov 5, 2013 - Main floor Town Hall - 7 PM

-Minutes as submitted by Chairman Dennis Howland.

Draft subject to review, correction and approval.