

Hanover Conservation Commission – Trails Committee Meeting
December 8, 2015 – Approved on February 9, 2016

Attending: Bill Mlacak, Ed Chamberlain, Hugh S. Mellert, John Trummel, Ron Bailey,
Tom Linell, Mary Sloat, Ted Osgood, Doug McIlroy

Call to Order at 4:01pm.

1. Review of November 10 Minutes – Approved with minor corrections.
2. 2016-2017 Budget
Discussion about upcoming budget. Items were UVTA Contract, trail materials, new trails maps. UVTA Contract will be renewed with an increase of 20%/\$500 in anticipation of work needed to be done on Trescott Trails. Maps need to be reprinted. Discussion was held but seeking input from Doug Mc. regarding cost & distribution.
3. Quabbin to Cardigan Grant due Dec. 10. John Taylor UVTA is submitting
4. Trescott Trails will be opening soon. Some preliminary work is needed before trails are open to the public. Suggested to invite Hanover Conservancy and UVTA to attend Jan. Trails Meeting to discuss.
5. The Moose Mountain Mill Pond Access and Huggins/Shumway Conservation Easement has been completed and a Dedication Ceremony held.
6. Balch Hill Maple Trail reroute. Need a labor and materials estimate. Discussion about control of Balch Hill Trails. Because of the multiple ownership of the properties and a Stewardship committee, it was suggested that the HCC should maintain control over the Balch Hill Trails and to that end will need to seek more information and definition of the work. Plan to complete the project in the spring.
7. Marshall Brook. After a site visit, Bill M. gave a slideshow discussion of points of interest after the recent completion of logging on the property such as: future trails, inholding property, snow mobile use, trail signs & markings.
8. Moose Mtn. Ridge Trail. After the recent trail work that occurred in November, Tom Linell had some observations about the trail and the work that was completed. He outlined his concerns in a letter that he presented to the Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 pm
Submitted by Hugh Mellert