

New Boston Open Space Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 22 July 2013

Location: 7 Meetinghouse Hill Road, New Boston, NH

Committee Members Present:

Ken Lombard (Chair)

Mary Koon

Pete Moloney

Nathan Simon

Bob Todd

David Woodbury

Other Attendees:

N/A

1. Decision Items

1.1. N/A

2. Discussion Items

2.1. Ancient Roads

2.1.1. Issue: Preliminary Old Highway Recreational Use Study completed. Considered recommending a pilot reclassification of Class VI roads to Class A trails, consisting of two clusters: (i) roads 15, 25, 26, and 27; (ii) roads 10, 18, 20, 23.

2.1.2. Actions: David Woodbury to draft an article for publication to explain the proposal and gauge interest.

2.2. Open Space Subdivisions

2.2.1. Issue: The Planning Board requested input on properties appropriate for open space subdivisions and incentives to encourage open space subdivisions. Agreed that the co-occurrence map is the best reference to judge the appropriateness of properties. Recommended that the Planning Board solicit input from developers on incentives, but

agreed that incentive qualifications could be streamlined and better emphasize areas of highest need such as contributions to a stewardship fund.

2.2.2.Actions: Ken Lombard to communicate discussion points to the Planning Board.

2.3. Wilkins Family Forestlands

2.3.1.Issue: The Forest Society solicited donations to conserve properties in Mont Vernon and Amherst. Considered whether the Committee has discretion to make a small donation, but determined that funds cannot be disbursed for conservation outside New Boston.

2.3.2.Actions: N/A.

3. Information Sessions

3.1. N/A

4. Easement Monitoring Activities

4.1. N/A

5. Committee Administration Activities

5.1. Next meeting: 19 August 2013, 7:30PM