

June 7, 2012 Meeting Minutes
Upton Open Space Committee

Nipmuc High, 7.00

Members present:

Scott Heim
Alan Miano
Mike Penko
Marcella Stasa
Bill Taylor

BT is still planning to meet with the new DPW Director.

South Street property

PARC Grant is being submitted. We should do a site visit to identify existing trails.

There are lots of wetlands.

Portion of site is a state wildlife management area.

Wildlife management area may end at Goss Pond.

Private land is to the north.

Our role in the grant is to give GIS support and Con Com support.

Blythe Robinson is looking for bullet points to make the project look appealing.

Education opportunities, trails, boardwalk and water trail possibilities.

There is potential for a loop trail around Goss Pond area.

Tamarack spruce in the bog area has educational value.

Preservation of turtle habitat.

Not suited to solar farm.

BR and Rich Gazoorian are are putting together the grant proposal and applying for the purchase amount.

Con Com to provide wetland permitting.

OS site visit at 5PM on June 14.

EOEEA has more information on the PARC grant.

MP will distribute the bullet points via e-mail.

What is the history of the bridge foundation on West River?

MP is working on the website-still needs the minutes.

Events

Star Party Sept 15, 5.30-11

Letterboxing August 19, 1PM

Butterfly Walk July 7, 9.30AM

Late July Peppercorn sunset hike, new moon and Specca will be visible-see how it goes and schedule others.

Glenview Property

Abutting Nipmuc Rod & Gun Club may be in CH. 61

Metacomet Land Trust may be interested MP will check.
MP made a motion to make 3 hard copies of the Open Space Plan at about \$40 each.from
the 2013 budget-unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned 8.05 PM