

Minot Forest Committee
Meeting Minutes 7/14/2011
Wareham Town Hall

Present: Angela Dunham (chair), Peter Teitelbaum, Sandy Slavin (clerk),
Ellen Bagley (BOS)
Absent: Sandra Devlin
Guest: Daralyn Duquette

Open meeting at 7:10 pm, close meeting at 8:30 pm

>6/9 minutes reviewed and approved 3-0-0

>red pine trees are dying in the forest - Angie called Philip Benjamin (did the forest management report) regarding the trees. Seems, this is happening in other towns in SE Mass. The red pine is not native to this area and is dying from the warming climate. He will be invited to a future meeting to discuss our options. There are specific sections of the forest that are mainly red pine that were planted in the late 1930s.
Areas are: Between Indian neck and Oak Street from Minot ave to stillman drive, Behind Minot School, Corner of Indian neck and crooked river

>Sandy will make 5 copies of final forest management plan from March 2010

>Oak street pump station

.Angie to contact Guy (plant manager) regarding odor on hot days

.Ellen to contact contractor regarding erosion on oak terrace and oak st
,can we improve the planting to hide the pump station

>Angie attended wareham land trust board meeting to discuss their holding the minot forest cr. They are looking for 60K to hold the cr. They are concerned about encroachment issues.
Peter and sandy will send their concerns to angie. Sandy will provide wlt with a copy of management plan.

>peter to provide updates to CR – history of ownership.

>Angie to contact Mark Gifford regarding continued dumping along stillman drive. We are looking for a guard rail to prevent the drive up and dumping. Recent additions are lawn mowers and tvs.

>Visit southside of peter cooper and check encroachments – these were not included in the survey report and letters may be needed...

Assignments to revisit:

Peter – sommers, condos, cushings – still open

Angie – odd number side of peter cooper – done #s 3 and 11 are closed, 13 still open, # 5,7,9 are new encroachments

Sandy – even number side of peter cooper and east side of forest – still open

Members to report next meeting with pictures to compare to initial findings.

Any changes will be reported to TA

>Story book walk – in October

>Next meeting 8/11

Sandy Slavin, clerk

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