

Williamsburg Woodland Trails Committee

Minutes of 3/11/2010 meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Chair Paul Jahnige. Also present were John Hoogstraten, Diane Merritt, Gwen Blodgett, Eileen Keegan, and Susan Milsom.

Minutes of the February meeting were read and approved.

Aimee Gelinas is prepared to lead a spring wildflower walk. She offered several dates; committee members decided on April 11.

Committee members met with two members of the Select Board to present a budget request for the upcoming fiscal year. We described in brief the current work of the committee. The Board expressed appreciation for the committee's work and seemed favorably disposed to the request.

Regarding spring trail maintenance, each member has a trail to survey and clean up.

HG, DM, and Phil Merritt made improvements at the Briar Hill kiosk. They posted trail maps and other information. Phil replaced rusty screws on the kiosk.

PJ informed the committee of a trails training in Ashfield on May 15, sponsored by HCI and the Ashfield Trails group. There will be indoor and outdoor sessions, including trail design, signage, and construction.

The WWT committee met with six members of the Open Space committee. We described current projects and concerns. They told us about some of their areas of focus:

- identification of areas of high ecological priority
- neighborhood conversations about land preservation
- writing a new Open Space/Recreation plan

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Submitted by Susan Milsom