Williamsburg Woodland Trails Committee

Minutes of the 3/9/2011 meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by John Hoogstraten. Also present were Gwen Blodgett, Eileen Keegan, Diane Merritt, and guest Phil Merritt.

Minutes of the February meeting were approved without corrections.

The hike scheduled for March 6<sup>th</sup> was cancelled due to rain.

The WWT committee will request a budget for the next fiscal year.

The committee compiled a list of tools and supplies for trail marking and maintenance. JH noted that the Williamsburg Pharmacy offered to donate miscellaneous supplies.

GB noted that she had viewed a draft of the PVPC trails map with a member from the Open Space Committee. The map had some incorrect information about Williamsburg trails. However it was too late for changes to be made before going to print.

A hike is scheduled for June 11, 7:00 a.m. with local resident Geoff LeBaron. Geoff is the Christmas Bird Count Director at the National Audubon Society (since 1987). The topic will be "Native Breeding Birds" and it will be held at Graves Farm. JH will give a courtesy call to Mass Audubon regarding the hike details.

EK summarized a draft Volunteer Policy document, provided by DCR for public review and comment. The committee considered becoming stewards with DAR State forest at some future time.

GB noted that it would be desirable to have sitting benches along some of the scenic areas on trails. Examples included Locke's Loop overlook and Hall Sanctuary meadow.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Submitted by Eileen Keegan