

Town of Branford
Parks and Open Space Authority
Minutes, Meeting of February 6, 2019

Attending: Ainsley Highman, Chair; Joe Blumberg, Greg Ciocci, Connie Drysdale, Judy Miller, John Tolbert; Don Kacenski, Asst. Warden, Pete Daros, Warden.

Guests: Evan DeCaprio, Michael DeCaprio, Bill Horne, Robert Long, Rich Shanahan

The meeting began at 7:30 PM at Canoe Brook Center.

1. Warden's Report: no news

2. Pisgah Brook/Saltonstall Mountain:

Ongoing ATV use including new cut through ATV trail that follows the fall line up Saltonstall Mountain- massive erosion will follow.

Suggestion of new Greenway trail between Laurel Hill road and Queach Road to help stem ATV use.

3. Supply Ponds:

Sediment Pond clearing has been delayed.

Erosion abatement strategies were discussed for Pine Gutter Brook including diversion basins and Stone 'Jam'

Suggestion to replace Supply Ponds sign at the main parking lot. JT will research possible vendors for replacement sign.

The discussion about Pisgah Brook Preserve or Supply Ponds Preserve property name has been re-opened – no decision.

4. Beacon Hill: no new problems.

5. Quarry/Medlyn: no new problems.

6. Kaczynski: Bill Horne reported on encroachment. Suggestion was made to have part of the property boundary surveyed and marked.

7. Evan and Michael Decaprio will build a Kiosk on the Green trail at Laurel Hill Road trailhead. Two sided, with sloped roof. Judy Miller will consult on exact placement. More to follow at the March POS meeting.

8. Robert Long expressed concern over new Green trail and possible trailhead at the end of Red Rocks Road. Board agreed there no plans at present for a new trailhead. Most members were against putting a trailhead at Red Rocks Rd unless the viewpoint of the residents there changes.

9. Rich Shanahan updated us on progress of green and blue Blazes. South Central Council of Governments maps will be updated accordingly.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Minutes recorded by Gregory Ciocci