

TOWN OF BRANFORD
PARKS AND OPEN SPACE AUTHORITY

Meeting Minutes June 1, 2022

MEETING WAS HELD AT BEACON HILL, PENT ROAD PARKING AREA

Chair Rich Shanahan opened the Meeting at 6:00 pm

Present: Richard Shanahan, Wendy Chapman, Wes Beeman, Amy Bartels, John Tolbert, Don Kacenski and Ainsley Highman.

WARDENS REPORT:

Don continues to cut Brush in areas needed.

Police Radio request – Still pending.

Kiosk repairs – Pending.

Don will install another trash can at the Peninsula at supply ponds.

Gave a list of new signs for Don to replace in various area.

SUPPLY PONDS:

Pine Gutter Brook-

P.O.'s to be issued for Sed Pond excavation, regrade of Green Trail, regrade of Yellow Trail.

Erosion Control meeting set with Witkowski & IWC.

Looking at various contractors who are able to repair Bridge.

Supply Pond Meadow –

Rich will meet with DEEP forester and/or wildlife manager regarding rehab of meadow.

Pond treatment to begin soon.

Peninsula Kiosk – Work to begin soon.

Don will install another trash can at the Peninsula.

New trails into Queach & Supply Ponds – On hold until fall

QUEACH PROPERTY:

Metal bar on old chain link fence post has been painted and completed.

PISGAH BROOK & SALTONSTALL MTN.:

Waiting for boulder placement and trail regrade past DeLeo.

BEACON HILL:

Illegal Camping in the area, we will notify DEEP for help.

TRAIL MAINTENANCE:

Trail sections identified for boardwalk construction:

- Branford Trail in “Knockers Hole”
- Green Trail off Hilltop Drive
- Branford Trail past Pisgah Brook near Eppes property
- Blue Trail in Queach
- Wet area along the Green & White trail past the meadow.

Board continues to look for carpenters who are licensed and able to construct boardwalks.

OTHER/NEW BUSINESS:

Application ready to submit for the Greenway Branford Trail.

'Friends of Branford Open Space' Facebook page continues to add friends and comments.

Looking into the possibility of having goats for grazing along some trails to help invasive plant spread and trim overgrowth of other plants.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm

NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, July 6, 2022 at 6:00 pm. at The Meadow at Supply Ponds