

**TOWN OF BRANFORD
PARKS AND OPEN SPACE AUTHORITY**

**MEETING AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 7, 2022 @ 6:00 PM
OUTDOOR MEETING – BRANFORD QUARRY
or
Branford Community House in case of inclement weather**

WARDENS REPORT: Don Kacenski

- General report
- Cleared trees – Branford Trail in Knockers Hole

SUPPLY PONDS:

- Pine Gutter Brook
 - Bridge replacement – IWC application submitted 8/11 for review. Decision expected at 9/8 meeting
 - P.O.'s issued for poles and construction

- Erosion Control – Stream survey with Matt Davidson planned for October.

- P.O. issued to repaint parking lot lines in Supply Ponds in mid to late September. Delay to October?

QUEACH PROPERTY:

- No report

PISGAH BROOK & SALTONSTALL MTN.:

- Requested estimate for \pm 100' boardwalk over wet area on Green Trail off Hilltop Drive.

BEACON HILL:

- Update on Goat Lady?

- Requested estimates for:
 - Rehab of parking area and the entire main trail.
 - New "Welcome to the Beacon Hill Preserve".
 - Trail clearing by All Habitat.
 - Installation of informational kiosk.

QUARRY:

- Requested estimate for “Welcome to the Branford Quarry and Hoadley Creek Preserves” sign.
 - Acknowledgements of Town of Branford & Branford Land Trust & Guilford Land Conservation Trust? Too busy?

KACZYNSKI:

- Entire perimeter of lower field has been cleared of shrubs and invasive plants at no cost. Area to be seeded for reclamation of hay field. Requested estimate to cut back shrubs and invasives along perimeter on remaining areas.
- Requested estimate to survey and mark location of northern property line.
- Discussion & vote regarding name change. Farm River Meadows Preserve? Other ideas/thoughts?
 - Requested BLT for input and ideas.

TRAIL MAINTENANCE:

- Trail boardwalk construction:
 - Trial placements of fiberglass gratings for boardwalks located on the main trail at Beacon Hill and the border of Pieper Property & lower Queach on Green Trail.
 - Requested rough estimate for construction of wooden boardwalk of similar size.
- Discussion to identify locations of overgrown trails in need of brush and invasive removal. Potential use of All Habitat or similar business.

OTHER/NEW BUSINESS:

- Branford Trail – Status update.
- Parks & Open Space Facebook page – Status update.
- Brushy Plain RWA Property – No Report
- Updating of trail maps on hold. SCRCOG attempting to fill vacant position.

NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, October 5, 2022 at 6:00 pm at the Branford Community center.