Town of Branford Parks and Open Space Authority

Minutes of October 6, 2021

Attending: Richard Shanahan, Chair; Amy Bartels, Wes Beeman, Judy Miller, John Tolbert, Ainsley Highman and Wendy Burton

The meeting began at 5:45 at Pisgah Brook Preserve - End of Laurel Hill Rd.

Motion made for the Approval of the September 8, 2021 minutes, approval by all members.

WARDENS REPORT:

Queach fence repair, no action taken.

Police Radio request, no action taken.

SUPPLY PONDS:

Bill Aniskovich - 5 Hannah Drive encroachment, no action taken.

Erosion and sedimentation behind Ferndale & Island View Condos. The IWC is looking into it.

Pine Gutter Brook - Richard walked the area with Jim Boyd to view the situation and to get estimates for sediment removal.

Noble Proctor Bench - Public works will install.

Line Painting and Traffic Calming:

The committee voted to go ahead with the quote for the line painting.

Richard is dealing with the traffic commission regarding the stencils to be painted on the road.

Supply Pond Meadow - Richard met with Jim Boyd and Gary Zelinski regarding additional parking spaces.

Committee voted all in favor to hire Kathleen Connolly for consultation regarding the Meadow.

Dam repair scheduled for mid-October – Pond to be drained 3'. Volunteers needed.

QUEACH:

Barrier post repair will be done as soon as time permits.

Vigliotti gate, no action taken.

PISGAH BROOK & SALTONSTALL MTN.:

Gate installed on Green Trail at Pisgah Brook behind DeLeo field. Thanksgiving target date for culvert gate.

Richard met with BLT regarding trail rehabilitation of the branford trail on both properties.

BEACON HILL:

Richard with be blazing the main trail at Beacon Hill and will update trail map.

KACZYNSKI:

Survey of northern boundary, no action taken.

QUARRY:

Encroachment of Quarry Operations onto town property. The Quarry has been asked to stop work in that area until a survey is complete. A preliminary boundary line has been marked.

Purchase orders in progress for Kiosks at Quarry parking area and Van Wie Pond.

OTHER/NEW BUSINESS:

Greenway status for Branford Trail - Judy met with the town Rep and will meet with the board of parks and rec. for more details.

Wendy will do some research into starting a facebook page for the Parks and Open Space Authority.

The committee voted unanimously to change the POSA meetings to the first Thursday of each month at 5:30

NEXT MEETING:

The Branford Community Center at 5:30 on Thursday, November 4, 2021

Meeting adjourned at 7pm.

Minutes recorded by Amy Bartels