

TOWN OF BRANFORD PARKS AND OPEN SPACE AUTHORITY

Meeting Agenda March 2, 2022

INDOOR MEETING
BRANFORD COMMUNITY HOUSE
46 Church Street

6:00 PM

WARDENS REPORT: Don Kacenski

- General report
- Police Radio request – On hold due to supply chain bottlenecks
- Kiosk repairs – Pending
- Tree clearing on Pieper Property - Completed

SUPPLY PONDS:

- Bill Aniskovich - 5 Hannah Drive encroachment – Requested Jaime to check delayed response
- Erosion control and sedimentation containment behind Ferndale & Island View Condos – No update
- Pine Gutter Brook – Erosion Problem
 - Item placed in budget as initial step in potential long-term project
 - J Witkowski contacted for input
 - Sed Pond estimate – Discussion regarding soil quality
- Pine Gutter Brook Bridge – Exploring options for repair. Eversource can supply poles for replacement at cost.
- Yellow Trail rehab at Scotts Bench. Tree removal & Trail repair from Scotts Bench to Culvert – Waiting for estimate
- Green Trail rehab from Sed Pond to culverts – Waiting for estimate.
- Proposed new trails into Queach & Supply Ponds – On hold
- Supply Pond Meadow – Removing invasives along perimeter – Don vs DPW?
- Peninsula Kiosk – Estimate submitted. Purchase Order issued.

PISGAH BROOK & SALTONSTALL MTN.:

- Boulder placement at Laurel Hill Road completed. Boulder placement at gates past DeLeo Field imminent.

- Identifying and prioritizing trail sections in need of repair/rehab for FY 22/23. Suggestions?

BEACON HILL:

- Projects submitted for FY 22/23 budget

- Low gate placement across trail entrance at Pent Road Parking Area
- Sign replacement
- Kiosk installation at Pent Rd. Parking area.
- Parking area rehab.
- Erosion repair on main trail

QUARRY:

- Quarry parking area. Area has been cleaned up and brush cut back. Need grading and fill to be placed at east entrance to Green Trail.

- Re-blazing of trails west of Quarry to begin as soon as maps are updated by SCRCOG.

- Kiosk at Van Wie Pond & repair of kiosk at Red Hill Road – Purchase orders issued.

- Potential FY 22/23 projects:

- Green Trail repair east of Quarry parking area
- “Welcome to the Stony Creek Preserve” sign in parking area. Discuss proper title/name of area: “Branford Quarry Preserve”, “Hoadley Creek & Branford Quarry Preserves”? Suggestions?

OTHER/NEW BUSINESS:

- Greenway status for Branford Trail – Richard to contact CFPA regarding public trails on private property and status of potential state regulation providing stronger protection to private landowners and potential municipal funding for trail establishment and maintenance. 2

- Parks & Open Space Facebook page – Status update?

- Letter sent to Denise Cappella – Updated rules & regulations posted at Laurel Hill, DeLeo Filed, and Main Supply Ponds kiosks. Additional posters to be ordered for other locations and planned kiosks.

- Other Items?

NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, April 6, 2022 at 6:00 pm. Location to be discussed & decided!