

Hopkinton Open Space Committee  
Thursday, January 20, 2010  
**Community Room – Town Library**

Minutes

Approved at February 17, 2011 Open Space Committee meeting

The meeting opened at 7 p.m. with Kittredge, Taylor and S. Zankel in attendance. Minutes of the December meeting were corrected (“Rollins” to read Ransmeier in description of properties to be included on first phase of website). Reminder of committee member term expiration – more information at February meeting. The next two meetings are scheduled for Thursdays February 17 and March 17.

Old Business

- Bohanan – Lucia brought maps of the Bohanan property marked to show where signs might be needed for the walking routes on the downstream side of the property, based on earlier work by the Public Access subcommittee and a recent site visit. The Courser Hill loop on the upstream side of the property still needs some design work to minimize passage across the excluded area around the family’s house and barn and to protect the calves and the public from each other. Jamie has a vision of what kind of boat launch might work for boats and discourage use by swimmers. He has made contacts with NH F&G and DES and will pursue the idea with them. Dijit to discuss Bohanan sign with Conservation Commission. Dijit and Ron to talk to nearby landowner.
- Report from website/signage sub-committee - Susan reported that the new tax maps can be accessed on the town’s website. Neatline has some new info from Karen Robertson at Town Hall. Lucia to call Neatline to discuss whether the rough maps of trails are usable. Discussion of how on town website to best access conservation/open space information. How will the Deely’s work interface with the existing Cartographic information? Susan plans to correct and streamline the previously drafted text. Bob LaPree’s photos will make brief text appealing. Lucia will make rough measure of trails at Ransmeier and Bohanan. Two loops at Ransmeier to be named for their blaze colors – orange and blue. Several sources for trail sign construction were discussed.
- Annual Report for Town Annual Report – prepared and submitted.

Updates

- Beyer – No update
- Rollins - Neal Cass reports that the construction debris at Rollins has been removed by town crews and that there was more there than he expected. The landowners were cooperative and pleased to have the area cleaned up.
- Parcel near Brockway/Carson – no update

Discussion Items: Conservation topics at Town Meeting this year do not require special preparation.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted – Dijit Taylor, Recorder