

Hopkinton Open Space Committee  
Wednesday, May 9, 2012

## **Community Room, Hopkinton Town Library**

7:00 p.m.

### **Agenda**

#### **Administrative**

**Attendance** Goddard, Kittredge, Klemarczyk, LaPree ,Taylor, S Zankel, Knight

Minutes from April meeting

Dates of next meeting –June 13 (at Community Room of Hopkinton Town Library)

Proposed dates for future meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesdays are July 11, August 8 and September 12 – please check your calendars

Committee membership update

#### **Discussion Topic**

Prioritizing next steps

Review maps from March meeting, ideas from December meeting

#### **Old Business**

Website - Any feedback or current needs?

Bohanan

More walking route needs

Kiosk

GRANIT listing for conservation lands

#### **Updates**

Beyer

Bohanan abutter

#### **New Business**

Bound Tree Road prospect

Recreation Committee

#### **Other**

#### **Adjournment**

Next regularly scheduled meeting: Wednesday, June13, 2012 at Community Room, Hopkinton Town Library

*Format for adjourning to non-public session: xxx made a motion, seconded by xxx to adjourn to non-public meeting per RSA 91 A:3 II (e) Legal. Roll call: Klemarczyk –xxx; Goddard – xxx; Kittredge – xxx; LaPree –xxx Taylor – xxx; Zankel –xxx. The Committee adjourned to non-public session at x:xx PM. The Committee returned from non-public session at x:xx PM. Xxx made a motion, seconded by Xxx to seal the minutes until the project is able to go public or removed from consideration. Vote unanimous in favor.)*

Corser Hill Loop: finish marking trail

Website: proposed tasks for Phase 2 (I will bring a suggested list)

## **Discussion on priorities**

### 1) Work with Conservation Commission

Maintain land that has been protected:

Mow fields on Beyer and Rollins

Forest management plans?

Increase public access to protected lands:

Trail maintenance on existing trails

Priorities for additional trails

Parking areas: improvements and additions

Phase 2 of website

Recruit more workers/ friends of conservation lands

### 2) Priorities for protection

Discuss process for evaluating and ranking priorities

Secure public access to existing trails: e.g. trail easement to Amesbury Field

Complete Hopkinton Village Greenbelt trail

Other ideas (not in any order of priority):

A Contoocook Village Greenbelt

Connection between two villages

Expand or connect existing protected areas

Areas where open space is scarce in town

River frontage

Agricultural lands

Blocks of unfragmented forest

Wetlands/ streams

Wildlife corridors

Protection of water supply; aquifers

Scenic views

Trails, Class 6 Roads, rail bed