

Shiloh Pond Committee

February 3, 2022
5 p.m.

DRAFT MINUTES:

Present: Kathy Houston, Norman Goff, Rob Woodhouse, Annie Twitchell, Bob Moore, Andrew Gale, Stacey McCluskey

Present Virtually: Lynn Duttlinger, Brent West

Public: Sue Davis, Walt Kilbreth

Minutes:

Approval of December minutes: Rob Woodhouse moves to accept as written; Lynn Duttlinger seconds; unanimous approval

Public Comment:

None.

Review mission statement and working agreements:

Change wording from "If you miss a meeting, support decisions made in your absence." to "Respect decisions made by the committee."

Kathy Houston reports that town policy says if a committee member is absent from more than three meetings per year they should evaluate if there is another way to support the committee.

Bob Moore reports some scheduling conflicts.

Committee verbally agrees to research town policies, evaluate scheduling, and revisit in the next meeting to make accommodations.

Canoe Storage and Signage:

Committee discusses canoe signage and details on storage area; multiple ideas proposed.

Goals: to minimize canoe visibility from the shoreline. Questions and concerns raised about enforcing rules if put in place.

Concerns raised about changing or developing too much, too quickly. Committee indicates verbal agreement to minimize changes this year and observe property usage and needs.

Committee verbally agrees to include informational signage at entrance to property and include expectations about canoe use and storage; place small signs in the area of the current canoe storage area.

Signage will be temporary for this upcoming season.

Verbiage to be worked out and approved in upcoming meeting.

Current draft: "Canoe Storage Area: canoes left outside of this area may be removed."

Rob Woodhouse agrees to work on signage.

Bridge:

Walt Kilbreth reports that ARC Enterprises and Jordan Lumber Co have agreed to donate materials, 50/50; Walt Kilbreth is developing a plan for redecking the bridge and will need able bodied volunteers to assist.

Building Demolition:

Walt Kilbreth proposes demolishing building while equipment is at the property for redecking the bridge and proposes that debris could be burnt or removed from site. Some preparatory work would need to be done such as removing glass windows.

Waterfall Trail:

Committee discusses trail to waterfall. Too early to set work dates, but committee agrees that the trail would be a valuable asset with low impact to the property due to utilizing existing resources. Trail would follow existing overgrown logging road for the majority of the way and would require clearing scrub and brush. Bog bridges may be needed in a couple places. Committee verbally agrees to table until the snow is gone and then discuss work dates.

Other:

Kathy Houston states that she intends to present the selectboard with an update in an upcoming meeting on Tuesday, February 22.

Annie Twitchell thanks committee for scheduling flexibility. Committee previously agreed via email to meet first Thursdays of the month through May.

Motion to adjourn:

Lynn Duttlinger makes motion, Stacey McCluskey seconds.

Submitted by committee secretary Annie Twitchell.