

Present: Rick Gardner, Karen Rossow, Cary LeBlanc

Meeting began at 7:00 pm on Webex.

1. Minutes from February were approved.
2. Quick Update of Cleanup Project and Hikes
  - a. Princeton Earth Month Cleanup is being sponsored by OSC and EAC. We reviewed this decision and Rick gave a brief update on the process and status.
  - b. Approved: We voted to spend some of the OSC budget on costs associate with this event. We are buying a few vests, perhaps sending out a mailing, etc.
  - c. Hikes: Should Hikes be continued given the COVID19 safety guidelines. Discussion was that we should be able to maintain safety distances so the hikes could continue. But we need to monitor all advice, and this may change in the future. Senior hikes are cancelled.
3. Open Space and Recreation Plan:
  - a. Workshops went very well and are now concluded. We will hold a public hearing when we have a draft of recommendations. These goals and objectives may change as a result of the public hearing.
  - b. The main task now is to determine goals and objectives. We have several data sources that should be used to discern these:
    - 2013 OSRP
    - Survey and Workshop/Town Buzz comments
    - Parks and Rec survey results
    - Ideas from other town OSRP examples
  - c. Rick suggested using the Goals and Objectives from the town of Weston as a template. These seem to fit our situation very well. He has put together a document with re-worded Weston Goals, and added the Objectives that we came up with last meeting. We agreed to work with this as a starting point.
  - d. Rick will set up a Google Docs folder with all of the input data sources plus an editable document for goals and objectives. OSC members are asked to add their ideas based on analysis of the data sources. Notate initials on each idea.
  - e. Next meeting we will work to synthesize and tighten these goals and objectives.
4. Trails work:
  - a. Calamint Hill and Appell:
    - Need spring cleanup, rick working to schedule.
    - Bridge work can begin
    - Appell is fully approved, working on trail-building work party.
  - b. Goodnow Park: Cary has the ball
  - c. Alexander: Wetland work is fully approved and work can begin. Parking area also ready for development
  - d. Appell to Brooks Station Road: No activity
5. Summary of Work-to-do
  - a. OS+R Plan:
    - All: Work through the Goals and Objectives document, pulling ideas from the various data sources.

b. Other items held over:

- Cary: Setup walkthrough of Goodnow Park for OSC members.
- Kelton will talk to Ted Goodnow about use of his property for trails.
- Rick trails committee meeting and continued work with ConCom and DCR on CHCA trails.
- All: Review the PowerPoint document sent by Rick of TAP segments, options, and status and send comments/ideas to Rick

6. Other items

- a. Presentation to NCLT on OSRP went well. About 40 participants from around the Montachusett area. Lots of questions and interest, particularly on our website and on survey and workshops.
- b. Clinton Dam program at library is on hold.
- c. No activity on Training on trails design and development. We will hold until after COVID19 settles down.

7. Next meeting: April 14 at 7 via Webex.

8. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Rick Gardner