

West Windsor Conservation Commission
Ted Siegler (Chair), Mark Nowlan, Andy Harrington
Barb Gerstner, Chris Nesbitt, Laura Stillson, Sue Greenall

July 6, 2015

Call to order 7:00 p.m., Story Hall, West Windsor

In attendance: Ted Siegler, Andy Harrington, Barb Gerstner, Laura Stillson, Mark Nowlan, Sue Greenall

Guests: Bruce Boedeker,

Approval of June 29, 2015 minutes

Motion: Barbara Gerstner moved to approve

Seconded: Laura Stillson

Vote: Unanimous

Old Business

High Meadows grant – Laura and Sue reported on and organizational meeting on June 27.

Ski Area Purchase – Ted reported on steps needed before the closing which must be done by Dec 31, 2015. Laura reported on Mount Ascutney Outdoors which is a start up non-profit organization for managing the ski area.

Conservation Easement for Town Forest.

Motion – by Mark Nowlan to accept the easement Version 3 (6/5/15) as written Second Barb Gerstner. Discussion followed; Bruce Boedeker voiced concern about the provision referencing snow machines and parking areas. Barb Gertner reviewed sections for correction and clarification. There will be a Community Forest Plan (CFP) which will cover many of the maintenance issues on the conserved land. This is a work in progress. Ted noted suggested changes.

Amendment – to accept easement Verion 3 (6/5/15) with changes

Vote – 4 yea, 1 nay, 1 abstain.

WWCC Priorities

- Identify easement initiatives for high priority land
- Working with the Town Forest Committee/Bicentennial trail
- Vernal pool inventory
- Trail easements
- Geomorphic assessment of major tributaries to Mill Brook
- Develop methods to control invasive plants

Motion to adjourn at 8:45

Next Meeting TBA

Respectfully submitted by Sue Greenall