

Aug 1, 2011 Open Space Meeting Minutes

Present: Jassy Bratko, Sue Fox, Joe Cataldo, Charlie Clark, Catherine Galbreath, Pat Taylor, Leslie Greiner

Meeting called to order 7:40pm.

Susan presented the letter from DCR which accepted and awarded the trails grant project. The Open Space Committee will receive a grant in the amount of \$3578.00. Committee congratulated Susan on her hard work and success. Discussed the need for bridges to span eroded sections of the Behind the Chimney trail and that 3 bids are required to do the work. Conservation Commission and DCR ok'd the bridges. The grant will be used for the bridges and signs. The Open Space Committee will begin to build the trail probably this fall. Charlie will check prices and materials for the sign, and Joe will check prices for lumber.

Catherine will be leaving the committee due to relocation. Jassy mentioned she knows someone who may be interested in joining the committee and will speak with her.

Discussed the Mt Grace-sponsored horseback trail ride to take place on the Mt Jeff Conservation Area trails on Oct 22, 2011 to commemorate their 25th anniversary. Jassy spoke with Conservation Commission who approved the ride and got the ok from Caroline Raisler at DCR. Mt Grace requested support from the Open Space Committee if help is needed. Committee agreed to discuss request with DCR to find out specifically what they might need.

There is no news at present re: the Forest Legacy grant update. DCR will do thumbnail appraisals at their own expense on potential CR properties.

Catherine made motion for meeting to adjourn. Susan 2nded. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20p.

Leslie Greiner

Secretary