

Bow Open Spaces, Inc.
Meeting Minutes
April 2, 2013

Board Attendees: Bob Lux, Harry Hadaway, Martin Murray, Hilary Warner, Ken Demain, Frank Boucher, Mike Morris

Members: Beth Lux, Eric Thum, Lisa Lulka, Joan & Michael Lax

Secretary's Report: Mike distributed the Mar. 5 meeting minutes. We reviewed the minutes of the 03/05/2013 meeting. The minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report: Frank Boucher reported there were no changes.

Membership Committee: Bob Dawkins could not attend the meeting.

Stewardship Report: Ken Demain informed us of a possible project to create a turnaround and a small parking area with a Walker Forest trail head at the end of Londonderry Branch Turnpike off of Page Road. Dick Siciak, a resident on Branch Londonderry Tpke. volunteered his excavation services to clear the area for the Town of Bow Public Works department to finish the project. Ken will research this more with Tim Sweeney at the Public Works department and report back at our next meeting.

Public Relations: Martin Murray reported the next newsletter is scheduled for Spring - April 25th. Martin asked for newsletter content contributions. Please contact him with any ideas. Bob Lux led a discussion of possibly pushing out the previously established season newsletter dates to be more aligned with the actual seasonal weather. The group decided to consider this as the weather improves and it actually feels like spring. So, the Spring newsletter may be published in May. Lisa updated the group on the upcoming Boy Scouts clean-up effort to address the trash in Nottingcook Forest and Walker Forest. Ken added that Bow Police Chief - Erin Commerford will provide a police officer to safeguard the scouts in their clean-up efforts because of the frequent gun target practice in NCF.

Trail Report: Hilary Warner reported on active trail projects:

1. Improve access to Nottingcook Forest off the end of Hope Lane
2. Continue work on new trail in Walker Forest that goes from Van Ger Drive to Branch Londonderry TP- this will include the access trail from Hampshire Hills Dr.
3. Create new trail in Knox Road Town Forest in the vicinity of Robinson Road. This trail has been planned and flagged but still needs to be cut and marked.

Old Business: Bob is looking to revamp the web site home page. Lisa will work with Bob with the help of a BHS student in May. Harry and Mike will try to find a way to create an archive pdf file of each BOS newsletter. Links to these pdf files will be added to the BOS

web site. Bob asked the group to fund the purchase a surveillance camera for use in NCF. Before a decision is made, Bob will speak with Chief Erin Commerford to get her input.

New Business:

Next Meeting: Tuesday May 7th, 7 PM Old Town Hall

Please note the meeting place has returned to the Old Town Hall.

The board voted to adjourn the meeting.