

**Bow Open Spaces, Inc.**

**Meeting: March 5, 2019 (6:30 p.m.)**

**Minutes**

Board Attendees: Harry Hadaway, Ken Demain, Hilary Warner, Martin Murray, Frank Boucher, and Eric Thum.

Absent: Bob Lux and Bob Dawkins

**Secretary's Report:**

After discussion and review, the secretary's report was approved, with minor corrections, by voice vote.

**Treasurer's Report:**

After discussion and review, the treasurer's report was approved by voice vote. Frank noted the recently received checks for \$5,000 from the estate of Paul Hammond and \$2,500 from Jeff Knight. Harry asked if BOS should put \$5,000 in a CD.

*Hilary made a motion for Frank to investigate purchasing a certificate of deposit for \$10,000. Ken duly seconded, and with all voting in favor, motion passed.*

**Membership Report:**

Bob Dawkins was absent.

**Stewardship Report:**

Ken reported that the new 16.2-acre easement off Timmons Road will be named Three Stonewall Conservation Easement. Harry said easement property markers should be installed.

**Public Relations Report:**

Martin sent the winter BOS online newsletter to 187 recipients. Contents included a notice about the Mount Kearsarge winter hike, Three Stonewall Conservation Easement, Knox Forest trail work and backcountry drill. More than ½ of the newsletter recipients opened the newsletter. There were a number of undeliverable newsletters.

Martin established a new BOS Instagram account. Martin asked Harry for some photos of Bow open spaces to add to the site.

**Trail Report:**

Hilary reported the Bow Parks and Recreation Department requested more Knox Forest maps. She will have Speedy Printing & Copying print more maps.

Harry asked Hilary if someone on the local bike group could help in the design of a new trail on the Three Stonewall Conservation Easement. Hilary said Scott Oosterveen might be able to work on it. Discussion ensued about building a trail on the new easement and adjoining Boucher lot.

Discussion ensued about the Trails Committee leadership when Hilary steps down. Eric suggested the Trails Committee meet right before the BOS monthly meeting.

**New Business:**

Proposed subdivision off Bow Bog Road: Hilary said that there should be more emphasis on the impact of the wetlands in the area when reviewing the application. At the most recent Planning Board meeting Harry requested the buffer should be increased from 50 to 100 feet. Martin asked if there's an opportunity at the upcoming town meeting to discuss the subdivision. Ken suggested asking the Concord Monitor to report on the proposed development. Harry said the developers have to show a yield plan on how lots can be reduced in size to create more open space land. The next Planning Board meeting on the subject is April 18.

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*The next meeting is April 2, 2019 (6:30 p.m.) at the Baker Free Library. The board voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.*

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