

Nelson Conservation Commission  
July 25, 2022

Attending: Kathy Schillemat, Dave Birchenough, Janet Yardley

Meeting was called to order at 7:05

Approval of Minutes of June meeting: Dave moved and Janet seconded approval of the minutes, with some small spelling changes. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Partridge Woods discussion:

1: New parking area and trail to connect to Holt Trail. The trail has been cut and the work on getting materials for the bridge over Bailey Brook is starting. Kathy asked if we needed to check with DES about whether we need a permit. She will check on this as well as the status of a remediation project on the Johnson land on Nubanusit Road, which Dave noted had not been done.

2. Map progress: Dave reported on progress. We discussed some edits. Dave will send copies of the map to Linda Cates, Tom Murray, Elizabeth Williams and Al Stoops to give them a chance to share suggestions for changes. Dave will also get in touch with Rick to get a better cellar hole photograph.

3. Proposed new trail on Partridge Woods: we concluded, after some discussion, that the trail proposed by some members of the is neither necessary nor wise, and we do not support development of this trail.

Town Easements: Dave reported that he had spoken with Rob Germeroth who assured him that Judith Putzel will have a 1500 square foot guest house, since he is building it, so she won't need to pursue the amendment to the conservation easement.

Kathy still needs to send a letter to Hanchetts, then she, Janet and Brenna will do the Stasioski and Hanchett easements together. Dave will check with the Harris Center to see if they have already monitored the Putzel property. If not, he and Tom will accompany them; if so, he will ask for a copy of the report.

Kathy reported that Tom Buttrick had asked if the thank you gifts for participants in Nelson Clean Up could be switched to wildflower seed packets instead of daffodils. We will discuss this further at our next meeting after gathering more information on what would be best and where to get them.

Meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm. Next Meeting: Monday, August 15.

Minutes recorded by Kathy Schillemat