

NORTHFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION
May 21, 2014
MINUTES

Members present: Rich Bellerose, Sterling Blackey and Kevin Fife.

Minutes: Kevin Fife moved, seconded by Sterling Blackey to approve the minutes of April 30, 2014 as read. Motion passed.

Report of visit with County Forester: Sterling Blackey reported that Tim Fleury, County Forester, was of the opinion that the amount and type of materials needing to be removed for a forest improvement cut on the Glines Park property would not generate much cash at this time. He suggested hiring a Forester to create a Management Plan for the property which would document the needs and support any future woodlot management. The woodlot is not in need of any thinning immediately, therefore there is no urgent need for a plan at this time. It was agreed to send a letter to the Selectmen with this information and request permission to extend existing trails, clean up debris and generally promote the property for recreational uses.

Sotir: Sterling Blackey is working on GPS mapping of the trails on Sotir and Knowles Pond areas. Rocks needs to be placed at the entry of Sotir. We will ask Leon Thibeault if he would try to move rocks from across the road. Discussion followed relative to getting maps for each property created or updated and how to get the public to be aware of the trails. Cathy Thibeault has agreed to work on the maps when the trail information is completed. It was agreed to ask if maps of trails can be linked on the town website so that they are easily accessible. When the kiosks are finished, maps can be made available at the beginning of the trails.

Correspondence: LRPC annual meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eliza Conde, Secretary

Minutes approved 06-18-2014