

HARWINTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Meeting March 28, 2016
Minutes

- Meeting 7:00pm

Present: S. Barlow, C. Butcher, P. Denton

Guests: NEMBA members~ Brian Kelleher, John Johnson

Michael Criss was unable to attend.

Conservation Area:

- C Butcher walked the west side (sports complex side) Mountain bike trails with the NEMBA members and Suzanne Stich Sunday March 20. B Kelleher and J Johnson were invited to the Conservation meeting to discuss ways to encourage the hikers and mountain bikers to not share trails.

- J Johnson came up with laminated signs to place where the mountain bike trail crosses the double red- signs to tell the mountain biker that there is a crossing- show caution. There are two crossings. J Johnson will put up 4 signs at these crossings.

-Upon review of the map from NEMBA of the double red area trail- there is one section that shares. I circled that area in red. S. Barlow suggested we reroute the double red away from the mountain biker section. We would need to walk the area to see how best to accomplish this. The goal is to have no shared trail. Then at the entrance there would need to be signage- bikers to the right and hikers to the left.

- South road (east end of Carros property) - there is a mountain bike trail there with the goal of going to the Roraback property. Conservation members need to meet and walk that area to determine where a hiking trail can go to also connect to Roraback.

Mapping: we need new maps.

- P. Denton will look into creating a map that includes all trails for the conservation area.
- could we purchase software to assist with this.

Budget

- we need to submit a budget. C. Butcher to determine how to submit as we don't have a quorum tonight.

Town Green

- discuss Memorial Day plantings. C. Butcher to contact Michael Criss to see the status of the proposed redo of the monument.

Next meeting: suggestion of meeting 6:45 and walking the upper red.

Meeting adjourned 08:30

Submitted:

Colleen Butcher

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