

F.X Shea Town Forest Committee meeting Jan. 13, 2015

Corinth Town Hall

Committee members present: Val Stori, Frank Roderick, Kevin Eaton, Dina DuBois Meeting called to order at 7:38

- I. **Addition to agenda**: Mission statement, trail signs, file storage.
- II. **Minutes**. After all rereading minutes Courtney moved to approve minutes with spelling changes and italics added. Frank seconded. All in favor.
- III. **Old business**.
  - A. *Mission statement* for Forest committee requested for website re Open Meeting rules. Courtney presented a statement she wrote and one from Ginny Barlow. Dina will forward it to Lynn Sciortino .
  - B. *Signs*. Kevin has not gotten the boards back from Adam yet. Carl Demrow will loan the router. Would like it kept in Dan Wing's shop. Courtney will learn to use it. Dina will ask if it can be kept there. Frank got No Motorized vehicle signs and has posted them by attaching to older trees at kiosk and head of the trails.
  - C. *Storywalk*. Nothing to report.
  - D. *Budget and financing*. Frank will follow up to deal with discrepancy between Treasurer's report other forest funds.
  - E. *Boundary marking*. Courtney reported that she and Ginny finished flagging with pink tape. Further discussion about whether signs say leaving forest/entering forest at boundaries. Courtney will draft a letter to adjacent landowners to ask them to walk their boundary and report the results of their walk to Courtney. She'll explain it is about preparing to paint the boundary markings. Wish to start painting by April 15, 2015.

*F. Events*
  1. *Photowalk*. John Fogarty – Westgate Photography, Bradford will lead the photowalk and workshop without a charge to the Forest committee on FEB. 7, 2015. He recommended 10-2 for instruction inside, getting to forest, shooting and then sharing at Town hall.. Dina though it was too long a time to ask people to commit to on a Sat. Limit to 10-12 who register ahead. Val will talk to John about a three hour event.
  2. *Wildlife FilmFest*. Will be Feb. 28 at Town Hall. Poster will be made up by Jan. 31 by Val. Committee members will post. SAVE THE DATE notice to go out on LRN. Food: Dina vegetarian chili, Val cheese at Blythedale, Dina will ask Peter and Pearl about baked goods. Hal Drury will be asked if he'd like to make chili again . Courtney and Kevin will choose the films. What will be the theme of the walk? Who will do it? Use of Library projector and Ken to run it? Val will ask if that is possible again this year. Very helpful as there are speakers also.
  - G. *Kiosk Box*. *Dan Wing made the kiosk box. A drawing was made for Dan's guidance for the inside design to hold cards, flyers, notebook.*
- IV. **Events**. Dina reported on discussion with Waits River Valley School Principal Carlotta Perantoni about possible forest events. She is enthusiastic about a Poetry Path walk, Forestry Artistry and a wildlife animal art project. Dina will follow up with the art and relevant teachers. Ms. Perantoni said getting students there would be no problem with a bus.
- V. **File Storage**. Courtney would like to see some kind of digital storage set up for documents related to the forest in addition to paper storage in the file in the Town Hall. Possibly thumb drive? iCloud? Continued discussion needed.
- VI. Next meeting January 20, 2015 at 7:30 : Agenda- 1. Changes to agenda additions/order. 2. Action on minutes for Jan. 13, 2015 4. Management plan 5. map. Then a meeting Thursday February 12 7:30 Town Hall. Frank moved to adjourn at 9:18. All in favor. Respectfully submitted, Dina DuBois