

Otisfield Conservation Committee Minutes 11/28/17

Members present: Marc Coriveau, Lee Dassler, Maureen Mooney-Howard and Kristin Roy

Meeting called to order at 7:15

Motion made to accept May 30, 2017 minutes; minutes approved.

Old Business:

Greeley Brook Clean-Up:

- Thirty volunteers helped with the Clean-Up on Saturday, June 3rd.
- About half of the volunteers were TLEA members. We greatly appreciated their hard work.
- Otisfield Free Baptist Church provided a delicious lunch for us at noon.

Two Ponds and Heniker Park Trails:

- Yellow arrows are up marking the Howard Dyer trail at Heniker. Maureen has different colored arrows for the other trails at Heniker but has not put them up yet.
- Yellow arrows are up marking the trail at Two Ponds.

Twin Bridges Trails:

- Lee reported that the culvert has been removed and a new bridge has been constructed. Crooked River is now available to host trout and salmon.
- Trails need to be constructed. Our Town Forester has identified an area that would be suitable as a demonstration forest. Members noted that this might be a good area for us to start identifying possible trails. Lee will keep us up to date on the progress.

Fog Lot:

• Western Foothills Land Trust (WFLT) closed on the Fog Lot on Halloween. The addition of this Lot adds significant waterfront protection on the Crooked River.

New Business:

- Otisfield Selectmen have signed a contract with *ecomaine* for single sort recycling. Our Committee will sponsor an informational meeting at the Community Hall on December 13th. Katrina Venhuzen, environmental educator, will give a presentation of their facility and answer our recycling questions. Our Committee would also like to involve our Community School students in a School recycling program. Maureen will talk to Ruth Wilson, 6th grade teacher.
- Town of Otisfield's new website Maureen and Kristen have had difficulty trying to navigate the new site. We will contact Hal Ferguson for advice.

The meeting was adjourned 8:20 p.m. Next meeting is January 23th, 2018