

Groton Greenway Committee  
Open Session minutes of June 19, 2014  
Town Hall

David Pitkin called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the meeting room at Town Hall. Members Marion Stoddart and Carol Coutrier were present.

- I. Upon a motion by Marion Stoddart, seconded by Carol Coutrier, it was

VOTED: to accept the Groton Greenway amended minutes of May 29, 2014.

The vote was unanimous.

- II. Upon a motion by Marion Stoddart, seconded by Carol Coutrier, it was

VOTED: to accept the Groton Greenway minutes of June 5, 2014.

The vote was unanimous.

- III. Upon a motion by Marion Stoddart, seconded by Carol Coutrier, it was

VOTED: that the Greenway Committee recommend to the Selectmen that Greg Gemmell be appointed to the Greenway Committee.

The vote was unanimous.

IV. River Festival Recap

- Great event.
- One omission: the Nashua River Rail Trail Committee and the Squanacook River Rail Trail were not represented.
- Betsy Reeves would like for the firefighters food booth to be located closer to the front next year.
- We need to get more people out on the river, so perhaps we can work through Nashoba Paddler to do this on another day. Such groups as Board of Health, Conservation Commission, could see sites such as Nod Road.
- Timing – first bus at 11 AM kept some people from taking the bird walk.
- Joni Parker-Roche will put the weaving at the library, at Nashoba Paddler or in her yard.
- Carol will track down the volunteer list with Adam.
- Carol suggested inviting the Lancaster River Festival people to our festival and that we attend their festival.

V. Plantings Along the River

- On Sunday Marion and Alison will identify various properties along the river for plantings of pollinators. Alison priced the plugs of milkweed at \$1.25 each. \$200. would work for the purchase of the plants. Milkweed is toxic for horses
- VI. Water Chestnut Pull
- Marion reported that the Nashua Water Chestnut Pull attracted 30 volunteers and Nashoba Paddler provided the canoes. 500 lbs. of Water Chestnuts were collected.
- VII. Fitch's Bridge/Littleton Horse Association
- David measured the width of the bridge and also discovered that the bolts were not too high. Judy from the Littleton Horse Association will be invited to our next Greenway meeting. David will check to see if the stones have been moved so that there is wheelchair access to the bridge.
- VIII. Groton Nursery
- David will contact the new owners of the Groton Nursery to inform them about the Greenway Committee and the importance of keeping natural vegetation along the river.

Upon a motion by Carol Coutrier, seconded by Marion Stoddart, it was

VOTED: to adjourn

The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Coutrier, Secretary  
Groton Greenway Committee