Groton Greenway Committee Open Session Minutes, July 21, 2016, 2016 Small Meeting Room, Town Hall

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

Upon a motion by Adam Burnett, seconded by Marion Stoddart, it was VOTED: to accept the minutes of the May 21, 2016 Groton Greenway Committee meeting. The vote was unanimous.

- I. River Festival Wrap-up
  - As of the end of June, the gift fund balance was \$6000.
  - Adam and Carol will write a thank you letter to Mike and Dan for conducting the river boat rides.
  - Turtle table was very successful
  - Next year we would like to have fly fishing (shop is in Pepperell)
  - We will reserve the space early for next year.
  - We need more volunteers for next year.
- II. Milkweed Planting at Groton Place
  - The condition of the area is not to NEFF's liking.
  - We need to help NEFF get the area cleaned up.
  - Adam will work on an estimate of # hours required to clean it up.
- III. New Groton Greenway Member
  - David will check on someone from Groton School.
- IV. Nod Road Update
  - No update
- V. Fitch's Bridge
  - David reported that he had spoken with Paul Funch of the Trails Committee
    who said that the Board of Selectmen and the police want additional signage
    at Fitch's Bridge due to increased swimming, increased police calls.
    Trails Committee would like to expand recreational use of the site. Greenway
    Committee will look at the Trails Committee letter first, then perhaps add our
    letter of support.

- Greenway Committee needs to follow up with DPW on access for handicapped at Fitch's Bridge.
- VI. Al Frederick House
  - The house is up for sale. Easement is possible, perhaps sell a conservation restriction (16 acres). The Greenway Committee is interested in protection of the greenway and possible access.

The next Groton Greenway Committee meeting will be held on August 25, 2016, at 7 PM

Upon a motion by Carol Coutrier, seconded by Marion Stoddart, it was VOTED: to adjourn The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted, Carol Coutrier