



## **Groton Stewardship Committee Minutes**

**Present:** Lisa Murray, Chair, Vice-Chair; Olin Lathrop; Kimberly Kuliesis.

**Absent:** Ronald Hersch; Anna Eliot;

**Others Present:** Charlotte Steeves (Conservation Administrator); Bruce Eason (Chair- Groton Conservation Commission).

**Location:** Virtual Meeting (Zoom)

**When:** May 15th, 2024

**6:31 PM L. Murray called to order**

### **Committee updates**

L. Murray noted that there was not a quorum at the time the meeting was called to order.

#### Brown Loaf Discussion Summary

C. Steeves gave a summary of the Brown Loaf land discussion with the Groton Conservation Commission. She said the Commission is investigating the possibility of subdividing the parcel to allow for limited use of motorized vehicles along the powerlines, while preserving the rest of the parcel for conservation purposes. She said that the parcel is currently under Town ownership, and transferring the land to Conservation would involve approval by the Select Board.

O. Lathrop said he would like to see the Brown Loaf land transferred to Conservation ownership to keep it protected. He said the Selectboard can state that the Brown Loaf property is no longer needed, and transfer the land to Conservation. He said having any interested parties to sign a letter of support for the land transfer would be helpful.

B. Eason said the land currently has an ATV problem, and that he would be in favor of the Conservation Commission owning the parcel to alleviate the problem.

#### Discussion on Site Walk Schedule

The Committee discussed potential site walks at three parcels of land to begin the monitoring process: The Baddacook Conservation Area, Alan's Trail, and Still Meadows. They settled on June 29th, 2024, to walk the Allen's Trail site at 8:30 AM, and monitor possible encroachment issues.

C. Steeves stated that K. Kuliesis was appointed to be the representative from the Conservation Commission.

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Approve Next Meeting Date

L. Murray stated the next meeting date would be June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 6:30 PM (The actual meeting was held on June 26th, 2024).

Adjourn

There was no quorum at the time of the meeting adjournment, so there was no official vote to adjourn.

**Minutes Approved: 2/19/25**