



### **Groton Stewardship Committee Minutes**

**Present:** Lisa Murray, Chair; Olin Lathrop; Kimberly Kuliesis; Anna Eliot; Ronald Hersch (joined meeting after commencement).

**Others Present:** Charlotte Steeves (Conservation Administrator)

**Location:** Virtual Meeting (Zoom)

**When:** September 18th, 2024

**6:30 PM L. Murray called to order**

#### Discussion on Site Walk at Hemlock Grove and Lawrence Park Conservation Areas from September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024

C. Steeves said that she put together a site walk summary. She said that nothing prompted the site walk. She said that abutters were invited to join. Several abutters attended the site walk and provided valuable input. She said that some patches of invasive plants were observed, and that the Stewardship Committee should keep this in mind for the Spring to address these invasive plants. She said that no encroachments were observed and that the conservation parcels were in an overall good condition.

K. Kuliesis said that she talked with Bob Collins (Attorney) regarding getting the Groton School involved in some collaborative stewardship opportunities.

A Elliot said that this could be a good opportunity to show that the schools are contributing to the welfare of the Town through maintenance of abutting properties.

Discussion ensued regarding open space and maintenance in the Town.

The Committee decided to set the next site walk at the Fitch-Best Woods off Longley Road for October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

C. Steeves said that she would send out notifications to abutters with details on the site walk.

#### **Adjourn**

A Eliot made the motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by O. Lathrop

Role call vote: A Eliot yes, R. Hersch yes, O. Lathrop yes, K. Kuliesis yes, L. Murray yes.

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The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 PM.

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