

Hazel Grove Planning Committee

MINUTES

JANUARY 18, 2012

7:30 PM

FIRST FLOOR MEETING ROOM
TOWN HALL, GROTON MA

TYPE OF MEETING	Committee Meeting
ATTENDEES	John Ott, Jean Armstrong, Gineane Haberlin, Meredith Scarlet, Patti Modzelewski, Adam Burnett, Laura Menard, Anna Eliot, Laurie Smigelski (Park Commission liaison)
NOTE TAKER	Jean Armstrong

Agenda topics

REVIEW PRIOR MEETING MINUTES	Jean reviewed the prior meeting's minutes. Minutes approved with no additional comments.
PARKS COMMISSION UPDATES	Laurie provided an update on the logging equipment at Hazel Grove. Intent was to trim some trees however new laws require that logging go out to bid so work is on hold. Trimming is needed around the track particularly the corner that remains shaded in the winter causing icy conditions. Adam said that he will help to understand what the objectives are for the trimming and work to identify what should be trimmed.
FUTURE USES	<p>Groton Local representatives came to the meeting to suggest possible future uses for Hazel Grove in keeping with the historical use of the property. See complete list below.</p> <p>Groton Local also mentioned that they have resources available for communicating events at Hazel Grove (Facebook page)</p> <p>Discussed possibility of a harness race at Hazel Grove</p> <p>Bill brought up the Wharton Foundation as a possible revenue source for future enhancements to the property.</p> <p>Laurie read an email from Fran Stanley regarding her opinion on the use of Hazel Grove.</p>
NEXT MEETING	2/1

Future Use Ideas:

1. Community Garden
2. Farmers Market
3. Barn Dances
4. Community Compost Pile
5. Community Bee Keeping
6. PermaCulture – sustainable agricultural systems modeled on natural ecosystems
7. Demo water capture
8. Demo solar energy
9. Stable community sheep herd for grazing common land
10. Demo plowing with horse or oxen
11. Community rowing group
12. Emergency Evacuation location / meeting point