

# Groton Trails Committee



Meeting Minutes for August 19, 2003– Draft

Location: Downstairs in Legion Hall

Members in attendance: Paul Funch, Don Torgersen, Steve Legge, Vic Burton, Wendy Good, Bruce Clements and Bruce Easom were present.

Members absent: Brad Paul, Ed McNierney

Guests: H  l  ne Cahen

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Chairman Funch opened the meeting at 7:40 PM  
Torgersen volunteered to take minutes in McNierney's absence.

July 15, 2003 meeting minutes reviewed and accepted.

- Burton reviewed status of Groton Woods to Flavell Crossing Trail. Trail still needs markers coming from Duck Pond Rd. to Painted Post Rd.. Scouts from Pack 11 finished up trail clearing. They want to become trail stewards for this trail. Burton will work on getting a letter from ConCom to give Pack 11 such a designation.

- Site walk on Cunningham property off Gratuity Rd. with ConCom set for August 23 8:15AM. They will review plans for building bridge/culvert on this property. Burton has got drawings for wooden bridge and has model of a 3-pipe culvert to show. GPS work will need to be done to get property line for making/marking trail.

- Burton walked with Joe Flaherty (developer) in Batten Woods land reviewing bridges. Looked into finishing trail out to Orion Way, including posts and markers. Burton will talk to ConCom.

- Funch reviewed legal wording on Partridgeberry restriction and easement. Trail can be marked but only with owner Taisey's permission, which cannot be unreasonably withheld.

Easom will walk this area the week of August 25 and he will also review maps at Town Hall to determine the best sites for trailhead posts.

- Funch put trailhead post back up on Hurd parcel. Easiest digging so far in Groton!

- Good reported on Gleason Connector. Good, working with Sue Yeager, flagged trail. In addition to trail clearing, bridgework will need to be done. This project will get an assist from Groton School's public service student orientation project being organized by David Black. Good will talk with Tom Delaney to improve parking across the street, adjacent to Hayes Woods (this has been OK'd by Groton Conservation Trust according to

Good). Funch read the official letter he received from Sue Yeager of NEFF that approved trails work on the land.

- Funch is working on the combined High School Cross Country Trail and Public Trail at the new high school. It has been flagged and it needs to be cleared. Group meeting August 24 to begin this project.

- September 20 is Grotonfest and we will have a table. Next meeting there will be a sign-up sheet for the period 7:30 a.m. (set-up) to 5:30 p.m.

- October 26 is the Groton Town Forest Trails Race.

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Enclosure: Legge's notes

Meeting adjourned 9:15 p.m.