

# Northfield Open Space Committee

Minutes, Aug 7, 2018

Town Hall – Land Use Room

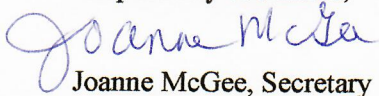
*Items in italics require action prior to next meeting.*

Present: Julia Blyth, Robin Conley, Joanne McGee, Sue Space (via Facetime), Jerry Wagener,  
Absent: Mike Barry, Bill Copeland, Rich Fitzgerald

The meeting opened at 7:37.

1. The May 15, 2018, minutes were approved.
2. Appointments: Robin Conley was appointed to the CPC. Joanne/Julia 4-0  
Joanne McGee was appointed to the Stewardship Committee. Julia/Robin 4 – 0
3. Trail updates: Mindy Nadolski and Jerry Wagener both volunteered for the FOAM (Friends of Alderbrooke Meadow) Committee and checked the trail frequently. Julia and Joanne are interested in being part of FOAM, also. Jerry will make sure that Julia gets Fletcher's updates. Heavy rains damaged parts of the trail. No further plans from Rob Hendry for the Millbrook trails. Jerry will check with him.
4. Invasive plants: Robin brought in a publication from New England Wildflower Association which describes in detail invasive plants and methods of eradication. The committee voted to spend \$225 to purchase a box (150) of publications for distribution to PVRs science classes, library, and interested residents. Usually the publications retail for \$5.00 each. *Joanne will submit a notice of availability to the town newsletter.*
5. Unanticipated business: The committee voted to appoint Bob Pasteris to the Stewardship Com. Julia/Robin 5 – 0.
6. Landscape Partnership Conservation: Robin reported that Joe and Leslie Kayam will host a meeting. She also chatted with Dottie Dresser.
7. Member comments: Robin and Julia will meet with Bernie Kubiak to discuss potential activity about the NMH land on Rt. 10 which the Community Park Committee would like to acquire for a park. Jerry reports that John Alden, facilities manager from NMH, is deciding to "do something with the land". Moody Center, which owns part of the land, is also interested in acquiring more land for elder housing. Julia announced that FRCOG had finished its tree inventory and would report to the Selectboard on 8/21. More than 50% of the trees along Main St are maples, indicating a need for more diversity. *Julia will check to see if the Inventory can be published in the newsletter.*

Respectfully submitted,



Joanne McGee, Secretary

CPC	Community Preservation Committee
CPA	Community Preservation Act
TPL	Trust for Public Land
NMH	Northfield Mount Hermon School
DEP	Department of Environmental Protection
DCR	Department of Conservation and Recreation
FRCOG	Franklin Regional Council of Governments
DFW	Division of Fisheries and Wildlife
NET	New England National Scenic Trail
FOAM	Friends of Alderbrook Meadow

