

# Northfield Open Space Committee

## Minutes

June 2, 2020 - ZOOM Meeting

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

**Present:** Julia Blyth, Robin Conley, Arthur Davis, Joanne McGee, Sue Space, Jenny Tufts, Jerry Wagener

The meeting opened at 7:30 p.m.

1. The May 5, 2020, minutes were approved. Jenny/Jerry 5-0-1
2. ROFR for Gibson parcel: The committee recommended that the town not exercise its right of first refusal for the Gibson parcel in West Northfield.
3. OSRP update: FRCOG will complete its work by the end of the calendar year. Helena is working on Section 5 and will be working on Sections 6, 7, and 8. *Julia will follow up with Andrea about funding.*
4. OSRP action items: Despite the fact that we have not looked at the goals which tend to be extremely broad, the committee settled into some detailed work on Action Steps using Jerry's draft as a beginning template. Draft action items were proposed for the conservation section. Because of the time, the committee will work on the recreation items, including trails, at the next meeting.
4. Northfield State Forest Trail work: Amanda sent in a current map which Jerry will use in his trail leaflets. The map does not have contour lines. DCR has done the trail reroutes, ordered directional signs and is planning on a work session with the State Conservation Corps in July or August. There is a problem with four-wheeled vehicles trying to get into the forest via the extension of North Lane. *Julia will talk with Amanda about some signs restricting access.*
5. Trail update: *Julia will contact Andrew Vernon about working at King Philips Hill.*
6. Member comments: Joanne reminded everyone about the town meeting vote on the CPA Swan project at Brush Mt. Town meeting is June 29 at 5 p.m. Location TBA.
7. Next meeting: July 7 at 7:30. Zoom or Town Hall? We do not know yet.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne McGee, Secretary