

TOWN COMMONS PLANNING COMMITTEE

MEETING AT THE COMMONS 3:30PM JULY 22, 2014 MINUTES

Present: J. Isbill, chr., F. Koerber, M. Laskey, E.C. Livesay, C.W. Ring., P. Davis
and P. Baecher, staff. Absent: Griffin, Labbe, Koehler and Rice.

Minutes of January and of April 8, 2014 approved.

CORRESPONDENCE: A letter recognizing her long time service and contributions to the Town Commons Planning Committee and expressing our condolences to the family of Joan Hoppe was signed by members present.

REPORTS: EARTH DAY (Laskey) Five members of Bowdoin Eco-Club cleared trails of downed limbs etc. and visited Monument E

Roadside Clean up. (Griffin and Livesay)

Roadside/fence trimming: No report

MAINTENANCE: Fence Repairs. (Baecher) Partially completed.

Hazard Trees (Baecher) Removed from picnic area. Brush cut and removed.,

Area mowed. Replacement white pine plantings postponed

Committee complimented Baecher about picnic area work.

Poison Ivy Control: (Baecher) An Exception is required for use of herbicides on Town properties. Baecher has requested a waiver for use of Round Up.

BROCHURE Color brochures placed at Town Hall, Rec Center and Visitors Center . Positive comments received. To be posted on Web Site. Clear Postal Box installed at kiosk for black and white brochures. Works well. More B&W brochures needed. Davis to contact Griffin.

BUDGET: \$4500 requested, \$1500 appropriated. Signage is priority.

SIGNS: Isbill and Griffin to inventory needs and report. Livesay delivered eighteen brown blank signs to Baecher. Plastic lettering needed. Carrot Signs to complete. Locations for installation to be determined from site inventory.

NRCS: Files requested by Town Manager. No reply as of this date. F. Koerber will follow through on request.

COMMON GOOD DAY:Committee discussed need for ongoing white pine removal from Pitch Pine Barren. Chairman Isbill to submit application . C. Livesay and F. Koerber will work with Bowdoin Students. Brief discussion of larger pitch pine area on former BNAS and successful use of controlled fire.

OTHER:Walk with Shane Duigan, MFS to be rescheduled. (Griffin)

WEB SITE (Laskey.) to be updated and expanded as a winter project

APP. (Koerber) to be a winter project.

MONUMENTS:Davis reported that Monuments C and D are within property recently transferred to Bowdoin College.

RECORDS:Chairman Isbill expressed need for a file/box as a depository for reports and information from iother Agencies such as SWCS. No action.

Meeting adjourned at 4:40PM.

Next Meeting October 14, 2014

P. Davis. Secretary