

*West Windsor Conservation Commission*  
*Ted Siegler (Chair), Mark Nowlan, Andy Harrington*  
*Barb Gerstner, Chris Nesbitt, Laura Stillson*

Sept 8, 2014

Call to order 7:00 p.m., Story Hall, West Windsor

In attendance: Ted Siegler, Laura Stillson, Andy Harrington, Mark Nowlan, Barb Gerstner.

Guest Glenn Seward - WW Select Board.

Approval of July 7, 2014 minutes

*Motion:* Barb Gerstner moved to approve

*Seconded:* Laura Stillson

*Vote:* Unanimous

Old Business

Bi-centennial trail – Laura reported on Act 250 permitting

Niles Trail – Mark reported that trail is currently closed, Sue to talk to owners. Ted suggested establishing a line item in the budget for trail maintenance. Mark, Andy and Barb volunteered to cut out trees on the trail. Sue to notify them.

Cowshed trail – Barb spoke with owners. A new trail has been cut to connect to Lee's trail.

Walter Bradeen is interested in a trail easement. Sue to contact him.

Silver Hill trail – Chris and Sue have the language but decided to hold off due to trail development on the adjacent property.

Ski area – Glenn addressed the commission on acquisition of the ski area. Minutes of the 9/3/14 select board meeting were distributed. Trust for Public Land (TPL) is writing the gratn. Lawyers have the trail easement and MOU proposals due on Sept 15. Discussion followed. Two informational meetings will be held Oct 1 and Oct 8 with a floor vote Oct 14. Discussion on how the WWCC could support the select board.

WWCC Priorities updated

- Identify easement initiatives for high priority land
- Working with the Town Forest Committee/Bicentennial trail
- Vernal pool inventory
- Trail easements
- Geomorphic assessment of major tributaries to Mill Brook
- Develop methods to control invasive plants

Motion to adjourn at 8:20 by Mark Nowland

Next Meeting October 6, 2014

Respectfully submitted by Sue Greenall