

Proctor Beaver Pond Committee
Regular Meeting
August 16, 2022 – 6:00PM
Draft Minutes

Location: Beaver Pond Picnic Area

Attending: Dale Christie(chairman), Charlotte Firestone, Tom Hogan, Pauline Hogan, Jim Moore, Ray Beyette

Talked about contacting the warden about the beavers. Live trapping maybe? 2 dams known. Concern about beavers plans for the future. What can be done to discourage them? Concerns about involving gov't. Look for advice?

Called to order at 6:14pm

Approved meeting agenda

Reviewed last meeting minutes. Approve them.

Chairman's report:

Moved a plastic picnic table to swimming area. Thanks Tom for helping.

Discussed quantity of benches and tables. Agreed it is ok.

Pond was stocked in the Spring, not sure with what, and was done by the State. Good for next year as well.

Old dock floated away, rescued on shore by resident, Jim Moore took it apart to salvage pieces. Parts were rotting. Ray will take some planks. Rest offer to town or disposal. Tom will check with town about the floats. Maybe the pool?

Signage:

Dale working on an entrance sign for Picnic Area. Needs a nice post or a dead tree with a branch to hang the sign from. Might be hard to find, so a timber post may be used. Sign should be ready soon. Trail signs, 6 total will be made by a local resident with free labor with materials provided. Image of signs passed around. All approved and suggested arrows may be incorporated into design. Lag bolts to secure signs.

Swim area sign was discussed. Dale wrote to resident who had inquired about changing the wording of the sign. She was informed there won't be any changes at the moment. Brief discussion agreed with direction of that.

Maintenance and improvements:

Brush pile still remains. Suggested to burn it this winter.

Dale spoke of message by Justin Ladabouche offering some old wooden fishing docks. Group agreed to reject offer.

Discussion about adding signs informing people of cameras being present. Decided it won't help much and not to add them at this time.

The spillway was well maintained by John Corliss, who no longer works for the Town. Jim will clear out the spillway and will do so until someone else takes on the job. One side looks bad, has water running through it, and is new. Concern the beavers are building it up. They muddied up the boards after John left.

Trails:

Trail maps almost out. Almost 100 have been taken. New maps will be made by Dale until town office gets a color printer to use.

Rules and ordinances:

Nothing

Other old/new business:

Ray suggested a cookout for town groups and organizations. All thought it was a good idea, but no action to make.

Dale shared old map of the pond. Ideas were suggested to display it somewhere for the town to see.

Next meeting: September 18th

Motion to adjourn made by Dale and Pauline 2nd. Meeting ended at 7:15pm.