



Town of Warner, New Hampshire
Mink Hills Recreation Study Committee
Thursday, August 4, 2022

MINUTES - Final
IN-PERSON MEETING
Warner Town Hall, 7:00 pm

Attending: Christine Frost, Craig Tufts, David Minton, Rebecca Courser, Sarah Allen, Gerald Courser, Peter Bates and Nancy Martin.

July minutes were reviewed and edits made.

Motion: Rebecca made the motion to accept July 7th minutes with edits; Sarah seconded; Motion approved.

Christine reported that postcards for 350 MH landowners inviting them to Sept. 8th meeting will be mailed out on Friday or Saturday this week. Landowners are the priority for this meeting. We will not send out postcards to snowmobile club. The meeting will be noticed on the town website for other interested people.

Craig overlaid environmental quality onto road road conditions map. The “heat map” is also overlaid onto road conditions map. He has made a list of maps for use at Sept. 8th meeting.

Meeting format: Craig will develop the meeting agenda. 1- Introductions (Sarah); 2 Define Class VI roads and trails. CNHRPC staff will direct the meeting. Sources of maps, definitions presented for attending landowners. Craig will create large maps for mark up. For simplicity, base map will have only Class VI roads on it. Craig has information on Class A trails and other details. He will overlay snowmobile trails on private land. We could hang a limited number of maps on walls around the room, but we want to avoid information overload.

The audience will break into up to 4 smaller discussion groups. On entry, each person will get a colored sticker to divide participants in small groups. CNHRPC staff will moderate group discussions. Each group will have the same list of questions to stimulate discussion and will report back to the larger audience after 15-30 minutes. Note cards will be available for people who hesitate to speak. CNHRPC will write report on final outcomes, consensus and disagreements.

Craig read 9 possible discussion points for moderators' use. Christine pointed out that our main objective is to listen to participants' opinions and concerns.

We will meet Thursday, Sept. 1 at 6:00 to make final preparations for the Sept. 8th landowners meeting. Craig will call in. On Sept 8th he will provide the agenda, maps, talking points, easels, newsprint, and markers for 4 small groups. Talking Points: What do you like about the Minks? What do you do in the Minks? What are your concerns?

Natural and Historic resources are "Important" resources and should be included in the Introductory comments. Sarah will use the Mission Statement that includes references to natural and historic resources. Sarah's introductory comments, the overview, will be sent out before Sept. 1st, so MH Rec Study members can provide feedback.

Nancy will reserve the Bank's community room as back up in case Sept 8th attendance is too great to accommodate lower level in Town Hall. Peter will provide food.

Motion: Peter made the motion to adjourn at 8:29; Gerald seconded. The motion was approved .