



Town of Warner, New Hampshire  
Mink Hills Recreation Study Committee  
April 12, 2023  
MINUTES  
Full Committee Meeting  
Pillsbury Public Library, 7:00 pm

Attending: Sarah Allen, David Minton, Rebecca Courser, Gerald Courser, Andy Duncan, Peter Bates, Arlon Chaffee, Jody Sloane (replacing Christine Frost), Nancy Martin, and Vincent Pagano (CNRPC).

I. Introductions: Committee Chair Sarah Allen introduced Jody Sloane, the new Select Person replacing Christine Frost.

The group reviewed Minutes from February 8 with speaker Tim Fleury, Merrimack County Forester. Edit to strike comments that bikes can start fires and roads could be closed for a few years to allow them to recover.

**Board Vote:** Motion to approve the minutes with edits-Rebecca; Seconded-Arlon, Motion Approved.

II. Subcommittee Progress:

Report Subcommittee- A comprehensive report. Vincent will fill in the missing data. All committed to reading the report and recommendations and then submitting their comments to Sarah and Vincent. Use Track Changes or make comments in color. Comments are due by April 26.

Findings and recommendations will evolve as people read the report. Vincent will send revised documents and maps as attachments and/or put them in the drop box. The revisions will be colated, and sent in advance of next meetings. When will public presentation be scheduled? For now we should focus on Recommendations. Next Full Committee meeting May 8<sup>th</sup> in the library.

Issues should be Chapter V. Recommendations should be Chapter VI. The Exeutive Summary and Recommendations should be found in the front of the document. Maps should support the report's content. Tonight Vincent provided the base map for mark ups. Mink Hills Boundaries should be an inset map with Mink Hills locator. The map legend should be placed in the upper right corner of the map.

For clarification, differentiate road classes by color and/or dashes. eg. Daisy Hollow (Class VI road) turns into a "trail." Rebecca will research Class VI status for Sanborn Farm Rd. Snowmobile trails should be shown in orange. Other maps should be reviewed for comments.

April signage for mud season when roads are posted as closed “Until further notice” needs clarification. Signs need to be taken down when appropriate.

Andy Duncan showed videos of a Class VI road in the Minks taken by his game camera over April 2021 (during mud season). Videos showed 4WD’s, hikers, people with metal detectors, and wildlife. Some videos were taken after dark in the wee hours of the morning.

**Board Vote:** Motion to adjourn-Arlon; Seconded Sarah; Approved at 8:45

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nancy Martin". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.

Nancy Martin,  
Mink Hills Recreational Study Committee