

## Minutes OSC Monthly Meeting – 4/11/2012

Attending: Jeanne Thieme, Paula Shank, Katherine Feist, Deb Crowder, Beverly Bernard, Theresa DiLuzio, Judy Hildebrandt, Ken Colby, Sharon Greatbatch, Bob McKelvey

Absent:

### Items Discussed:

- Introductions were made to welcome Ken as rep from Selectmen and Bob as visitor.
- Deb updated everyone on ConCom Cleanup Day – do it any time and email ConCom for pick up. Will be at Town Hall at 9am on Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> and folks can stop by to pick up bags.
- Brown Farm update by Theresa. Easement is off for now. But Land For Good (LFG) is still involved with the idea of having a functioning farm on the property. LFG has a lease and looking for folks to help out on the farm. Starting April 28<sup>th</sup>, folks are welcome to help out. Perhaps we can do a postcard which includes activities at LFG/Brown Farm. We need a contact person for LFG to see if we can help. Theresa will ask landowner about OSC getting involved and talk to Bob Bernstein (LFG contact.)
- In Your Backyard – Jeanne reported on the Channel 8 interview was held April 10 in Beldings Field with oxen and Jeanne, Theresa, Victoria, Rick Lewis and Bev. We don't know when it will be on – they suggested January, but Ken will see if he can get it viewed on TV earlier than that.
- Monadnock Conservancy (MC) Workshop Report – Katherine said that the methods that they were focused on didn't match how Swanzey OSC operates. We have fun events for the whole community and have personal connection with landowners, but we are not aggressive with landowners nor are we focused only on landowners.
  - Deb reported there is a video from Poland Springs called "Tapped" about the large aquifer in Maine. Beneath Keene and Swanzey there is also a large aquifer – perhaps there should be a task force from both communities to plan for protecting the aquifer.
- Carroll's Hill hike April 29<sup>th</sup> to lay out trail loop. MC will be bringing a GPS to outline the trail. A trail map is being worked on. Emily from MC is putting it together. We will need another trail map box – Sharon volunteered to see what she could do to produce one. We are all invited to go on the hike. We will mark the trail with blue blazes once the trail has been determined.
  - Time: noon on a Sunday.
  - Meet: at the field on Westbrook Court.
- Monitors needed to walk easement land. Theresa can provide details. Bob is interested.
- Flat Ike report
  - Do we have a place for 50 projects to be displayed at Learning Fair? Deb reported that we do.
  - Learning Fair is May 15<sup>th</sup> 5-8 pm (Tuesday) at MRHS

- We should invite parents, teachers, and other interested folks to attend including MC folks and School Board, and Select Board. Jeanne will contact MC about invites.
    - We will have about 50 Projects to display.
  - April 23<sup>st</sup>, Monday, Katherine will put projects together. Katherine, Bev, and Jeanne will go to Jeanne's studio, at 12:30, and whoever else can help out.
  - We could have a summary of project to mount on board and post with the kids' display. Bev will do that and send to GemGraphics.
  - Judy will do Flat Ikes for directions at Learning Fair.
  - June 13<sup>th</sup> – Science Day when we could have Ike visit school kids
  - Have packets to give kids at different times. Send photos to website: [swanzeyosc@gmail.com](mailto:swanzeyosc@gmail.com)
    - Distribute them May 15<sup>th</sup>, then at Old Home Days in July, maybe have in town hall and give out at schools.
    - Have Flat Ike with directions stapled to it.
    - Need a sub-committee to get prices for sleeves, and process to give them out: Theresa, Deb, and Sharon will be the committee. Deadline is May 15<sup>th</sup> (Learning Fair). Sara is the webmaster to get information on town website.
- Old Home Days
  - July 21<sup>st</sup>. Booth may be in Potash Bowl. Music may be on the stage.
  - Be thinking of that date – Jeanne can't be there. We could have the kids in the parade carrying their Flat Ikes.
  - Parade is 10-11 am – same route as last year.
- Theresa and Bev will work on multiple hikes.
- Email address for Ken: [kcolby1@myfairpoint.net](mailto:kcolby1@myfairpoint.net)
- Email address for Bob: [bmck@arczip.com](mailto:bmck@arczip.com)
- Email address for Tammy at Gemphics: [tammy@gem-graphics.com](mailto:tammy@gem-graphics.com)

Katherine moved for adjournment and Paula seconded. All were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted  
 Beverly Bernard  
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