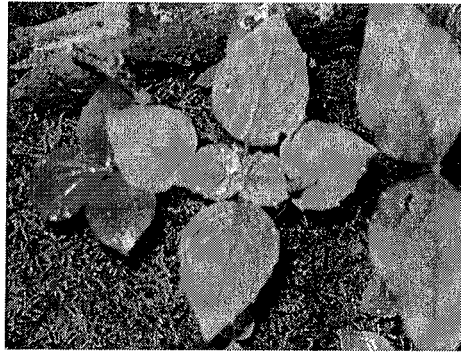


**Fayston Natural Resource Committee Meeting Minutes  
Third Meeting, August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2007**



**Members present:**

Ky Koitzsch, Chair, Patti Greene-Swift, Jane Lazorchak, Mary O'Leary, Stellan Wollmar, and Ned Kelley.

**Minutes of July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2007:**

Ned Kelley noted that his name is spelled with a second e, which is now added.

Jane Lazorchak moved, and Stellan Wollmar seconded to approve the minutes of August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2007. Minutes were unanimously approved.

**Ancient Roads**

Members discussed, and subsequently agreed to taking out ancient roads numbered 1 and 5 on the working map, and keeping numbers 2, and 9. Changes are reflected in the list of 1 – 16 below.

**Ancient Roads # 1 – 16**

1. FNRC members decided unanimously not to pursue the loop road located in Big Basin.
2. Located on the right at the end of Sharpshooters road, number two crosses over into Duxbury. Members unanimously agreed to pursue researching this possible ancient road and contact the Duxbury Town offices to see what their future plans might be for the road on their side of the town border.
3. Members unanimously agreed to not pursue number three as it is believed that it is now used as a driveway.
4. Members unanimously agreed to not pursue number four as it is believed that this ancient road goes right through someone's home.
5. Members unanimously agreed not to pursue number five which is located just off the left side of Dunbar Hill and crosses into Duxbury.
6. Members unanimously agreed that number six needs more research.
7. Members unanimously agreed that number seven needs more research. There was some question if number seven has a number 7.5 too. Jane will look into the possibility of a number 7.5.

8. Members unanimously agreed that number eight will be pursued since Baird of the Bush is a known spot for recreation.
9. The Fayston/Huntington gap trail is known to be used for recreation, and is an interesting area. Therefore, members unanimously agreed to pursue the Fayston/Huntington trail as a possible ancient road.
10. Number ten, located by Old & New Mansfield roads, is not known to be used and members unanimously decided not to pursue it.
11. Slide Brook road is number eleven and is actively used for recreation, and it is already known to be a class 4 road. Currently the DRB is hearing an application that will determine what its future use will be—either left in its current class 4 state, or developed and maintained by a privately owned development.
12. Members unanimously agreed that there should be a 12 A for Tucker Hill road, and 12 B for Marble Hill road, and that both should be further pursued and researched.
13. Members unanimously agreed to further pursue and research the area near Post Office Hill in Fayston, abutting the Waitsfield line.
14. Members unanimously agreed that number fourteen needs more research.
15. Members unanimously agreed that number fifteen needs more research.
16. Members unanimously agreed that number sixteen needs more research.

**Ongoing Work List for Ancient Roads (\* = in process or completed)**

1. \*Education about the ancient roads legislation for the FNRC members. Mary will do a write-up and Patti will find legal definitions for different classes of town roads, and identify what the process encompasses for downgrading roads to trails.
2. \*Create maps for the FNRC to work with as a group.
3. \*Identify ancient roads not known to be thrown up.
4. Gather landowner information.
5. Present to Select Board our findings, thoughts, recommendations, and come to an agreement on future actions.
6. Create public presentation, contact landowners via letter/phone and invite them as well as the public, by newspaper & web to a meeting to discuss the who, what, when, where, and why of the ancient roads project. Work with public to get consensus on which roads to keep & which to potentially throw up.
7. Public meeting for ancient roads.
8. Create recommendations from the public meeting suggestions & our own work too for the Fayston Select Board.
9. Present to Select Board.

**Introductions of FNRC members:**

Members introduced themselves to one another, and shared the origin of their interest in natural resources and wildlife.

**Publicity:**

Jane's press release discussion is being shifted to next weeks meeting.

**Meeting Site:**

The next meeting will be held at Alce alce Post & Beam since the Fayston Town offices are full on the evening of September 10<sup>th</sup>..

**Committee Name:**

Members briefly discussed getting a name change for the committee; however no decision was made regarding a change.

**Homework for members:**

Become familiar with ancient road sites around town, continue ancient roads work. (all)

Chase Brook plan & visit Chase Brook Parcel (all)

Contact MRVPD & check into Fayston/Duxbury roads (Mary)

Stellan will check into #6 across from the Shea residence.

Rocky road #7.5 ?

Basket for FNRC work in progress (Patti)

**Next Meetings:**

7:00 p.m. September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2007

**Thank you:**

Ky for allowing the meeting to be held at *Alces alces* Post & Beam

**Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.**

Motion: Stellan Wollmar moved, and Ned Kelley seconded to adjourn. Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully,

Patti Greene-Swift, FNRC Secretary